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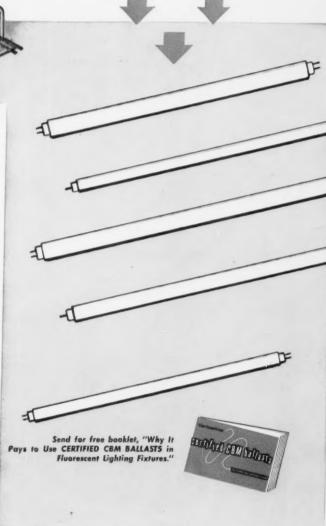
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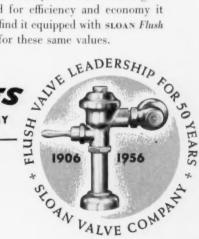


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# AMONG THE AUTHORS



Worth McClure

From a ring full, collected during 47 years in education, WORTH MCCLURE selects seven keys to school leadership to pass on to his colleagues (p. 47). Dr. McClure, who will retire in July, has served as executive secretary of the American Association of School Administrators since 1946. Until his senior year in college, Dr. McClure

relates, "the only certainty in my vocational picture was that I would not become a teacher." After his change of heart, Dr. McClure not only taught but held administrative positions in Washington and Missouri before joining the A.A.S.A.

Who gives the answers to legal questions that arise in your school system? A number of school districts in Michigan retain the services of a school attorney, according to a survey reported by WINSTON L. ROESCH (p. 58). Dr. Roesch is assistant professor of education at the University of Michigan, teaching courses in secondary and general school administration for the university's extension service in western and central Michigan. He has also served as assistant educationist for the navy department's bureau of personnel.

Problems of teacher supply and demand are an old story to RAY C. MAUL, who has been directing national studies on this subject for the National Education Association since 1947. However, he reports some new and encouraging trends on page 51. Dr. Maul is a research associate of the Commission on Teacher Education and



Ray C. Maul

Professional Standards of the National Education Association and editor of the *Journal of Teacher Education*, quarterly professional magazine of the commission. Before joining the commission staff, he was dean of State Teachers College, Emporia, Kan. While in Kansas, as a member of the commission on research and service of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, he developed for the association an annual 20 state investigation of teacher supply and demand. From this inquiry, the nationwide survey was developed in 1948.

For example, take a doorknob! FRANCIS G. CORNELL does, and he seems to have an effective hold on it (p. 79). Since 1932, Dr. Cornell has specialized in the fields of research and science, and he is now associated with an educational consulting firm in New York. A professor of

education at the University of Illinois from 1947 to 1955, Dr. Cornell was also director of the bureau of educational research there. Before going to Illinois, he was chief of research and statistical service for the U.S. Office of Education for seven years.

"Even one accident is too much." Sparked by this belief, Los Angeles city school system has carried on extensive research on safe playground surfacing. The story of the investigation, as told by LAWRENCE E. HOUSTON to WILLIAM C. RIVERA, reveals some useful facts (p. 108). A graduate of Los Angeles city schools, Mr. Houston has served successively as physical education teacher, supervisor of athletics for senior high schools, and director of physical education, safety and youth services branch, in that system. Mr. Rivera is currently assistant public information supervisor for Los Angeles city schools. He has also held the positions of news bureau director for Los Angeles City College and director of publicity for the Hollywood Baseball Association, "Hollywood Stars," in Los Angeles.

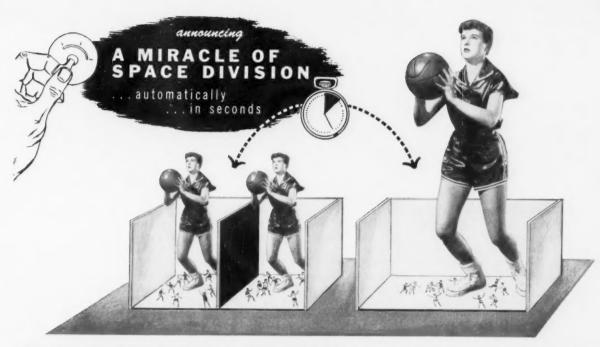
Things aren't always what they seem; on page 54, DOUGLAS S. WARD spells out the differences he sees between public opinion in Virginia and recent legislative action there concerning school integration. Dr. Ward is acting dean and professor of education in the school of education of the University of Virginia. His inter-



Douglas S. Ward

est in fostering understanding between peoples is reflected in his professional experience, which includes appointments as specialist in Latin American materials for the U.S. Office of Education, principal of the American School at Quito, Ecuador, and special representative with the education division of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs at Guatemala City. Prior to his appointment at the University of Virginia, Dr. Ward was a member of the faculty of the school of education at the University of Illinois.

In an interview, NORMAN K. ERICKSON gives his impressions of the Denver convention of the Department of Elementary School Principals (p. 83). This is Mr. Erickson's first year as principal of South School, Glencoe, Ill. He had taught seventh and eighth grade social studies and English at Glencoe from 1950 to 1955. Before that he was a social studies and athletics teacher in the high school at Parkston, S.D. His B.A. came from Augustana College, Sioux Falls, S.D., and his M.A. from Michigan State College.



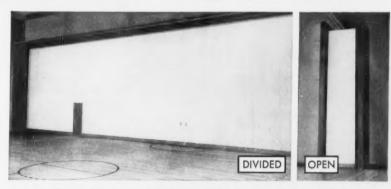
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# THE ADMINISTRATOR'S

Plan that vacation now! . . . In a rut? . . . Better than they think . . . Discipline needed . . . Ready for kindergarten?

By CALVIN GRIEDER, professor of school administration, University of Colorado

Plan that vacation now. In carrying on rather extensive correspondence with superintendents in many states, I have been astonished at the number who apparently think they are too indispensable to take time off for a vacation. (None would actually put it into these words, of course.)

No one thanks a man who has worked hard at his job for not taking a short respite from it. A change of scene and a change of pace are necessary periodic refreshment. One ought to get far enough away from the job so that he's beyond reach of telephones, mail and importunate callers except in genuine emergencies.

It is peculiarly unfitting for an administrator so to order his work and life that he can't get off. Some organizations, such as banks, get suspicious of a man who can never leave his job. I think that school boards ought to be wary, too, of the superintendent who can't arrange his work and delegate his duties for a short time to trusted associates, so that he can relax and rest before having another hard go at administering schools.

When is a child ready for kindergarten? The approach of summer also brings to mind the "summer round-up" of children for admission to kindergarten next September. Most school systems still rely solely on chronological age for kindergarten enrollment. A child is expected to be 5 on or before September 30, October 31, or some other specified date.

Probably if one measure of readiness for kindergarten is used, age is as good as any other. However, so much is known about child growth and development that it is hardly defensible to rely on this rough measure alone. Some school systems have worked out a plan that includes other items.

For example, the standard or normal age of admission may be conservatively set as 5 years on or before September 30. Provision is made for individual evaluation of children who attain that age after September 30 and before December 1, if their parents request it and agree to abide by the recommendations of the evaluators.

In the evaluation, mental ability, muscular control, and reactions to other children are considered.

Some such plan adapted to local conditions might well be taken as a project for study by a joint committee of parents and primary teachers.

But we're in a rut! Wouldn't a lot of people—especially teachers—be bowled over if school boards and administrators would step out in front when dealing with certain problems instead of having to be pushed?

Considering the margin of luxury that this country possesses, we could raise the average teacher's salary by two or three thousand without really hurting anybody. Of course, no superintendent or board is going to go that far—the rule seems to be to go just far enough to take the heat off. Teachers are partly at fault, too, because they never seem to be satisfied, but in general they've never got to the point where they could be satisfied.

Well, the same idea holds for other phases of school work: curriculum improvement, activities, community relations, plant and so on. We say that the decentralized pattern of U.S. education allows for diversity, try-outs, experimentation, but we're in a rut mostly. Too many boards and administrators conceive of their job mainly as sitting on the lid. It's far more interesting to live imaginatively and adventurously—even dangerously!

Sterner discipline would help. I happen to be a university professor who is lucky enough to have the opportunity of visiting many schools and

working with school boards too. Among my campus duties is working with a large group of juniors in a course on the American school system. "Discipline" is a topic that invariably concerns them, although major consideration is reserved for their methods courses.

From my vantage point, discipline (especially in high schools) looks like the chief factor of stress and strain in teaching. In contrast to this, it is of almost no importance in university teaching—one big reason there is less tension in university work.

I have the right, seldom used, to dismiss a student from my class if he does not tend to business, and he stays out if I say so. A high school teacher may send a pupil out, but next day he's back. I do not think we've impressed on our teen-agers the fact that they have obligations and responsibilities as well as the American birthright of high school opportunities. We have become too soft in attempting to keep boys and girls in school, though the objectives are laudable.

Compulsory attendance laws in most states do not apply to high school. Even where they do, no school is compelled to keep a pupil who is a detriment to the work of the school. I do not want to give the impression that I am oversimplifying the problem; reforms in curriculum and methods and improvements in guidance are also needed.

However, a great load would be taken off teachers and principals if a sterner administration of discipline were invoked. Let us teach those who want to be taught and quit coddling the rest.

Better than they think. As the school year draws to a close, teachers at all levels are likely to feel some discouragement about their effectiveness. A colleague and I, after several heavy thinking sessions, concluded that teachers are more effective than they think they are.

We have also boiled down the reasons for ineffectiveness to these three: (1) The teacher is not well enough prepared to teach what he is assigned to teach; (2) the teacher does not believe that what he's teaching is important, and (3) the teacher assumes that the learners are ready for his teaching. Teachers do not grasp the differences between the world they see and live in and think about and the world of their pupils.

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# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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For students in the same school, bus transportation not only will encourage student participation but will give the entire student body the feeling of "belonging." In sports, there are always the cheering section and the band and the pep squad in the stadium to encourage the teams. Further encouragement is provided by the student body. Of course, improper supervision of such a group can result in destruction of the bus, especially if the home team wins the event. New Orleans public schools have followed the policy of requiring one teacher for each 25 students. This also relieves the driver of the problem of discipline.

Students of other schools can also be accommodated without too much difficulty, provided the school principal and the transportation department coordinate the operation. Particular attention should be given to loading and unloading areas at the stadium (1) to facilitate arrival and departure from the school and stadium, and (2) to prevent school groups from becoming confused and mixed. Requiring each student to return on the same bus that carried him to the stadium helps eliminate some of the confusion. Buses then will not need to stop at more than one school. The issuance of small slips with the bus number when students get on the bus works well.

Parents and other adults should be transported only if, in the opinion of the principals of the schools involved, this service would result in harmonious and constructive feelings between parent and school, school and parent, and most of all between parent and parent. To accomplish this, the entire operation should be closely supervised by the school principal, working through committees perhaps. The presence of the principal must be evident in all sections of the operations to ease over the minor irregularities that will necessarily happen.

All of these observations have all been made on the assumption that enough buses would be available for this "spectator" use without conflicting with the primary use of the school bus—transporting children to and from school.

Assuming a decision has been reached to offer spectator transportation, what about the cost and what are the costs? Depreciation, insurance, drivers' salaries, supervision, gas, oil, tires must all be considered. The first two, depreciation and insurance, remain the same regardless of the amount the buses are used.

The New Orleans public schools solved the cost problem by requiring the school to pay the drivers' salaries, on a reimbursement basis to the school board. The balance of the expense is borne by the school board itself.

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JOSEPH B. DUTEIL Jr., transportation manager, public schools, New Orleans.

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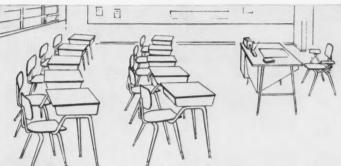
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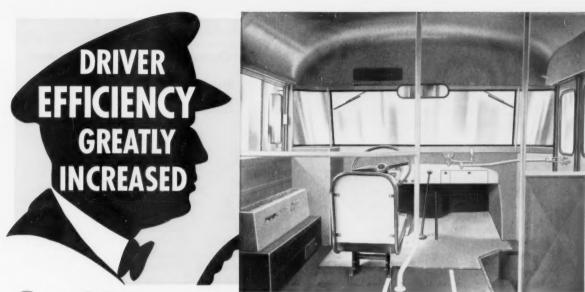
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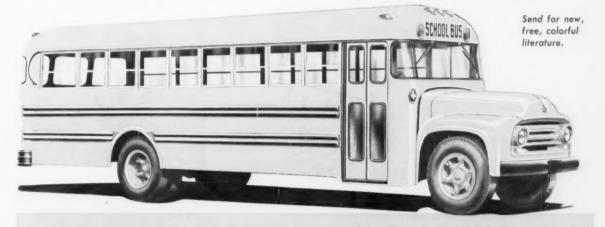
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Help Pupils Learn Spanish • Elementary School Teaches Skiing

DRAINAGE WAS THE PROBLEM at Ocracoke, N.C., especially after the hurricanes. Ditches were stopped up, refuse had been blown in, sand had washed in, vegetation had fallen in, and trenches had been erased. Pooled water made gardening impossible in many parts of town; there was a problem of health as well as of convenience and comfort.

Since the town is not incorporated, concerted community action is hard to achieve. The local (men's) Civic Club had all but given up on drainage. Then Theodore R. Rondthaler, principal of the local three-teacher high school, got an air photo, enormously enlarged, taken by the Coast and Geodetic Survey. When he spread it out on a table at school, he soon learned that those who really know the ditches are not the men but the boys who hunt, play, explore and float their skiffs in and on the ditches.

At the next Civic Club meeting Mr. Rondthaler moved that three school boys, a senior, a junior, and a freshman, be officially added to the local drainage committee, with power to lay out and personally direct the work of the machine employed to dig. The club voted in favor of the motion.

So did the other townspeople—by their favorable comments—after work had actually started. When the principal supposed that they had gone as far as they could and the boys' labors were finished, the ditching operator appeared at the school at 9:30 one morning.

"Mr. Rondthaler," he said, "I'd like to make one more try and see if we can't get general agreement on that long ditch—you know the one we gave up, that runs the whole length back of the town. I believe if you could let me have one of the boys to go from house to house, seeing each and every property owner, maybe we could work it out."

The principal agreed to let the ninth grader, well acquainted along that route, try. The ditching operator asked for "the tall boy, too. You know he

can talk to people, that boy can, much better than I can, and he has a way with him."

Apparently both boys had a way with them because by mid-afternoon they were back to report success—agreement by all those who own property along the ditch.

SKIING IS PART of the physical education program of the elementary school at Big Bear Lake, Calif. It's a sport that can be taught during the winter when the school, lacking a gymnasium, can't provide for indoor activities.

The skiing program has become a real community project, with the Ski Tow Operators Association, ski instructors, the Big Bear Lake Winter Club, the chamber of commerce, and parents all cooperating with the school.

Instructors and transportation to and from ski classes are provided by the school, which also has a limited amount of equipment it lends to chil-



dren who could not otherwise participate in the program.

Children begin with dry land lessons at school. Instructors check equipment for safety, give conditioning exercises, and provide instruction in basic ski maneuvers.

Pupils of like ability and maturity ski together. First to fifth graders have classes on Mondays; sixth to eighth graders on Tuesdays, and children with special abilities or experience on Wednesdays. On Thursdays ski playdays or competitions keyed to the skill of the children are arranged.

The skiing program is described in the March issue of the CTA Journal by Wayne Dean, third grade teacher and director of the ski program at Big Bear Lake.

PUPILS AT Shore Junior High School, Euclid, Ohio, play games in their Spanish class.

It's no breach of discipline though because all the games are word games, and the words are Spanish.

Boys in the class are divided into four groups of equal ability; their names are put on lists. The same is done with the girls. Then a list of girls and one of boys is combined to make a team, whose members choose a captain. The lists are interchanged each week.

A variety of games has been devised for the weekly contest day:

The teacher reads twice, in Spanish, statements that can be completed by short answers. Team members put their heads together; they may use dictionaries or vocabulary cards. A secretary, appointed by the team captain, writes down the answers.

From clues written in Spanish team members (usually two to a clue as the first team to find the correct answer wins) identify a person or a place.

Simple crossword puzzles in Spanish are worked. Clues are given in Spanish, and sometimes a few letters are supplied. It is, says Teacher George Furse, surprisingly simple to make up such a puzzle when a student dictionary is used.

Probably the most popular—and noisiest—of the contests involves following humorous directions written in Spanish, such as: "A boy and a girl from your team must pretend they are cats fighting." "A member must make a pretty paper hat and put it on the teacher's head."



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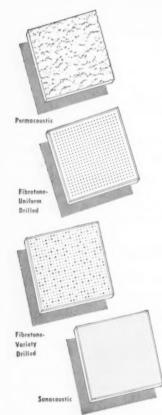
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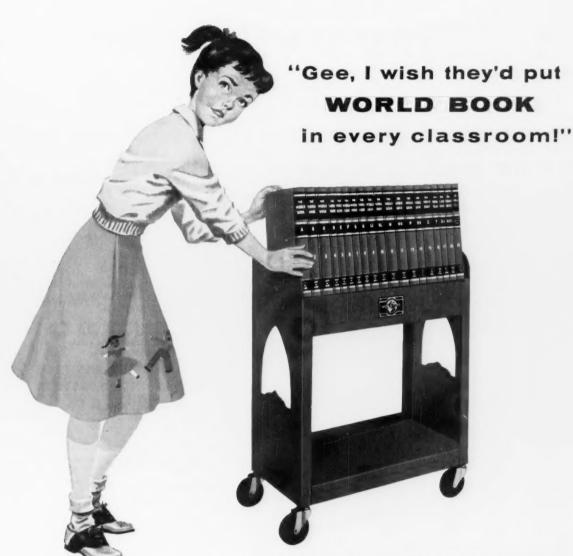
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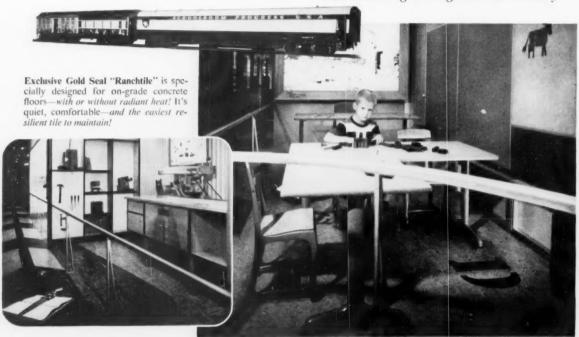
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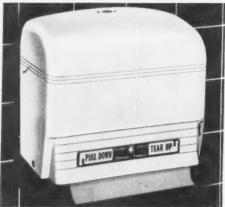
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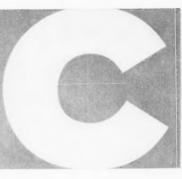
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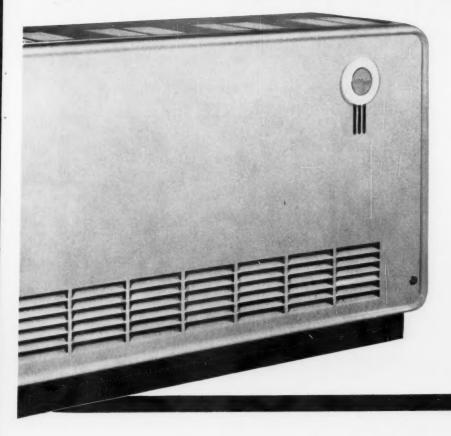
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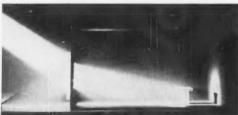
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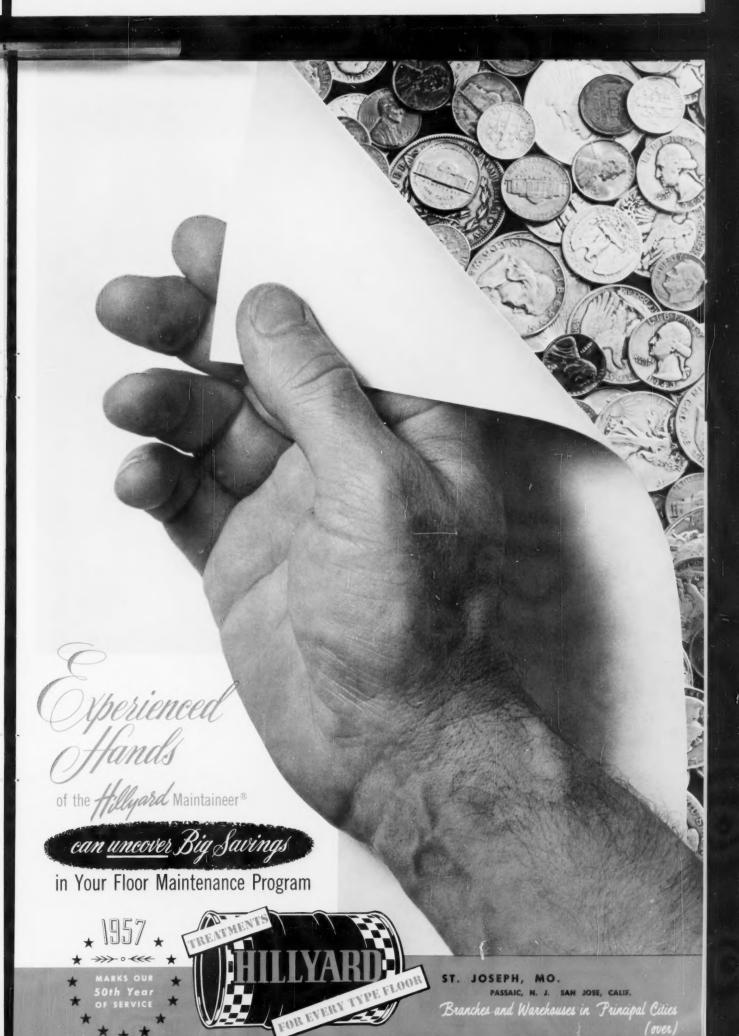
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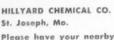
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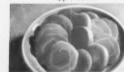
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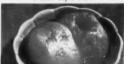
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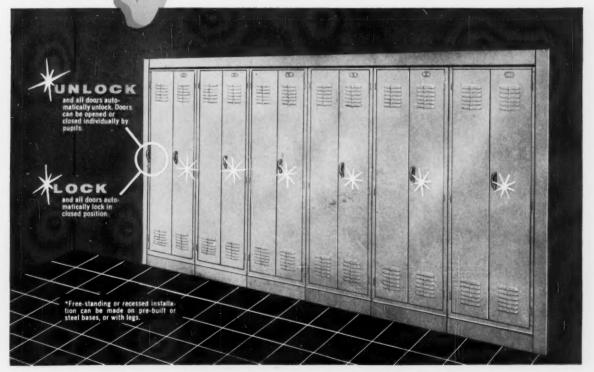
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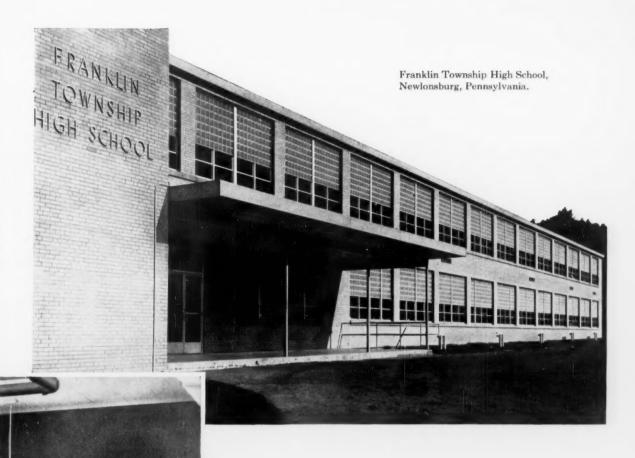
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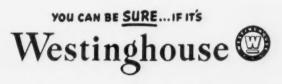
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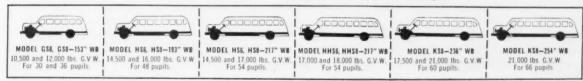


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# **Looking Forward**

#### Let's Be Open-Minded About Class Size

THROUGHOUT the nation, as we listen to discussions of teacher shortage—at conventions, institutes and committee meetings—the teacher-aide plan eventually is brought into the conversation. Almost immediately someone jumps to his feet—frequently a young theorist far removed from practical school administration—to decree pontifically that under no circumstances must we let the teacher-pupil ratio go beyond 25 to 1.

Actually, this isn't the issue at all, but it blocks further discussion. Anyone who seeks to renew the question is looked upon contemptuously as if he wanted to beat teachers and rob children.

This assertion that a classroom should have no more than 20 or 25 pupils per teacher is a classic example of canned thinking. Any idea that is repeated many, many times tends to become accepted as fact, without actual proof or evidence.

This tendency to jump to conclusions was regrettably evident at the recent convention of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development in New York City. At breakfast, in lobby sessions, and in evening groups that were "shooting the breeze," the so-called Bay City teacher-aide project received considerable lambasting. Some of the critics were forming opinions from misinformation they had received from other members or from inadequate descriptions they had read in popular magazines. Few, if any, had actually visited the project. Nevertheless, these critical attitudes took form in a final resolution adopted at the convention. The association went on record as recognizing "the need for a wide variety of experimental projects in teacher recruitment, teacher preparation, and the better use of teacher competencies" but warned that "all such experimentation and its evaluation be directed toward the end of fostering sound educational policies and practices, and not be based upon expediency to meet emergencies."

The resolution was, in part, an implied criticism of the Cooperative Study for the Better Utilization

of Teacher Competencies, co-sponsored by Central Michigan College at Mount Pleasant and the board of education in Bay City, Mich.

Does the resolution assume that only the curriculum expert has "sound" judgment regarding what constitutes "sound" educational policies?

And, by the way, since when has it become a crime to study ways of meeting emergencies?

Our thesis has three points: (1) The Michigan project is a timely, much needed study. (2) It is ethically financed and professionally conducted. (3) It deserves friendly help and suspended judgment from the teaching profession.

It is *timely*—if we are willing to face the fact that we are not going to have enough good teachers (or mediocre teachers, for that matter) to obtain a 25 to 1 teacher-pupil ratio for *all* classrooms within the next several years. Not when a million or more pupils are being added to the public school enrollments annually!

It is *ethically financed*—by a grant of \$250,000 from the Fund for the Advancement of Education. The Fund maintains no control over the nature of the research other than the requirement that it be concerned with the better utilization of teacher competencies.

It is professionally conducted under the direction of a national advisory committee. True, it is somewhat a homespun experiment doing practical things in a straightforward way, not couching its findings in the pedagese of the research trade. It is being conducted without the advice of some of the "big names" frequently associated with research—unless, of course, you will agree with us that such members on the advisory council as Willard Olson, dean of the school of education at the University of Michigan; Eugene B. Elliott, president of Michigan State Normal College; C. L. Anspach, president, Ceneral Michigan College, and Clair L. Taylor, Michigan state superintendent of public instruction, represent knowledge

and integrity that will keep the project on a sound basis.

Although the majority of the advisory group are professional educators, the project made the mistake (?) of putting a few nationally known lay leaders on the council, such as the general director of the American Association of University Women, one of the nation's highly regarded school architects, and a representative of the National School Boards Association.

The critics seem to be saying: "What right have laymen to form opinions or to evaluate facts about increasing the competencies of the teacher?"

Of course, this problem only vitally affects their children, their communities, and the safety and welfare of this country. Let them wait, the kibitzers say, for the "professional" experts to tell them how to get facts—and what to think about such facts.

It makes no difference that nearly all participants and hometown observers are enthusiastic about the experiment to date. Pupils, parents, teachers and administrators think the project is getting at solutions. But how could they know? They are just ordinary people and practical administrators. Can they understand sound educational policies?

LET'S take a look at our entire plan of grouping children. Let's look beyond the mere formulas of pupil-teacher ratio.

There is no mathematical process by which one can logically and automatically determine the appropriate pupil-teacher ratio for the classroom. Variable factors include:

- 1. The chronological age of the child.
- 2. The mental age of the child.
- 3. The emotional stability of the child.
- 4. The kind of teaching, whether remedial, guidance, solely imparting of facts, or directed physical activity.
- The method of grouping, either by chronological age or ability.
- The range, both of age and ability, within the classroom.
- 7. The physical setting for the class activity; whether the room is crowded, poorly ventilated, and poorly lighted or spacious, pleasant and healthful.
- 8. The instructional facilities, such as audio-visual aids, reading nooks, and work areas.
- 9. The ability and skill of the individual teacher.
- 10. The home training of the child, and the manner in which parents cooperate with the teacher.

Actually, there are some learning situations in which a demonstration or lecture may be witnessed or heard by as many as 100 pupils with as much effective learning per pupil as if the class were a much smaller group.

And there are other situations, such as the teaching of reading to a beginning group, where the teacher can handle no more than six or eight.

The number of pupils that one teacher can direct depends not only upon the characteristics of the child and the subject being taught but also upon the environment in which the teaching takes place and the nonprofessional assistance with which the teacher is provided. These are factors that the study in Michigan is exploring.

We need a little more realism and a little less emotionalism on the part of some of our theorists if we are going to serve society better. It may be paradoxical but it's true that, to get smaller classes in the primary grades, we must find ways in which some teachers can serve larger groups. Let no one think for a moment that the Michigan study or any other research of this nature seeks to handicap the teacher of the small child.

MEANTIME, the experiment has extended far beyond its original setting in Bay City and Mount Pleasant. In Michigan, there are now 25 different school communities participating in the work, each one contributing its own approach and seeking to find ways of improving teacher competencies in terms of local needs and facilities.

Similar studies are now being organized or planned outside of Michigan, and the staff anticipates that by fall from 10 to 15 school districts in other states will be conducting similar research.

The current study is operating wholly within the elementary school field, but preliminary studies have been made for a similar project on the secondary school level and a tentative proposal for a broad study has now been submitted to the Fund.

When the five-year study is completed—and not until then—it should be judged in terms of what it started out to do: "To find ways of making teaching a more professional activity." That time will be a little more than a year from now, when this original project comes to a close on July 1, 1957.

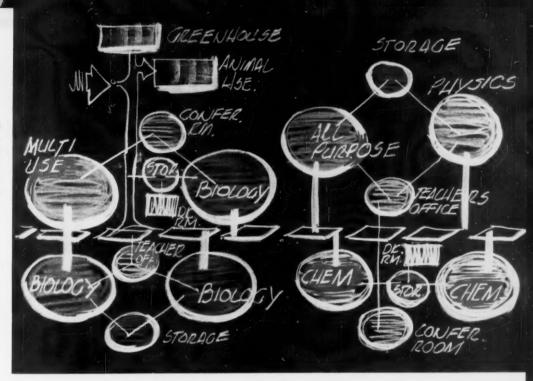
#### Not Dead Yet

FEDERAL aid for schoolhouse construction from this session of Congress is a dead duck—if one believes the usual newsletters and confidential reports from Washington. The assumption is that fear of a vote on the Powell amendment will keep both the amendment and the aid bills in committees. The Powell amendment, if adopted, would deny funds to any state not complying with the Supreme Court decisions on segregation.

Advocates of both the Senate and House versions of the proposed grants say, "Don't be too sure." They are quietly lining up support, and they predict there will be a show-down soon, possibly before this magazine reaches its readers.

The Editor

Space relationships for the science departments of both new high schools in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. See Pages 66 to 78.



## Science Education—for What Purpose?

JOHN McGRATH

C HARGES that the teaching of high school science and mathematics is collapsing are finding their way with increasing frequency into all channels of communication. Many of the charges are prompted by good wishes. On others the stamp of selfishness is palpable.

In an effort to put the situation in focus, *The Nation's Schools* has made a comprehensive checkup on available literature as well as personal inquiry among science teachers at the elementary, high school, and college levels, at departments of teacher education, and of educators in general. This is what we found.

DURING the last five years the total number of college graduates has declined 39 per cent, but the number of those prepared to teach high school physics has slumped 74 per cent, says the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Only 249 men and women who had prepared to teach high school physics

were graduated from U.S. colleges and universities last spring. The A.A.A.S. estimates that only half of them are now on high school staffs.

This would mean that only 125 new physics teachers were available to replace those lost through death, retirement and resignation from the nation's 25,000 high schools\* where enrollment — currently running well above the 6 million students of three or four years ago—is scheduled to hit 11 million by 1965.

The pinch is most severe in physics, but a similar situation prevails for other science subjects and mathematics.

"There is something more than a disinterest on the part of university students of science to teach in the high schools, and it may well be that those qualities within the student that attract him to science are the ones that make teaching at the secondary school level an uninviting chore," in the opinion of James G. Harlow of the University of Chicago.

\*For denial of this statement, see Wire From Washington, page 120.

Social restrictions, student apathy, nonacademic duties, lack of intellectual stimulation, and the plain fact that there are more jobs open for persons with this type of training than there used to be were given as reasons for by-passing the high schools.

The U.S. Office of Education recently prepared a report on high school enrollments in science and mathematics "because of the feeling that statistics to emphasize the shortage are being quoted too loosely," asserts John R. Mayor, A.A.A.S. director.

"There is no question about a considerable decrease in enrollments percentagewise in these subjects in the secondary schools of this country. It is even indicated that enrollment in plane geometry, for example, was smaller by number of students during the last school year than in 1900," he said.

Meanwhile demand is vigorously on the ascendancy for technicians at the high school level and scientists at the college level. Present indications are that this trend will show acceleration. Thus each year the gap widens between what is sought and what is available. Some doubt is expressed in academic circles as to whether the gap is as genuine as the insistent and well organized hue and cry of industry-government would indicate.

The fact remains, however, that the well is running dry, and we are beginning to miss the water.

And we are, moreover, missing it during the greatest blaze of scientific glory the world has ever known.

#### What, Where and How

EVERYONE agrees that something must be done to get the situation back in focus. But what and how and where to start?

The industry-government group, judging from the intensity of its present pressure campaign, wants the teaching of scientific subjects stepped up along a broad front, regardless.

Many educators agree that there is vigorous need to revitalize high school instruction along the scientific front. The need for improved quality of instruction poses such serious consequences for scientific and technological progress in the country that an immediate, coordinated, massive attack on the underlying causes seems essential. These observers point out, with equal emphasis, that there is need for a complete reappraisal of the entire field of public education and that it is impossible to evolve comprehensive and workable solutions for scientific education without intense study, experimentation and adaptations for the entire high school curriculum.

Meantime, the feeling is that everything that can be done should be done, but that the high schools should not be dedicated to the production of technicians in a peacetime economy, at the expense of other areas of instruction and guidance.

To get back to high school science teachers. Two questions arise:

1. Why are they leaving?

2. Where are they going?

Millions of words have been written, and almost as many reasons have been given, to explain why they are leaving the ranks. To sum up quickly and incompletely:

They want more money and they want more respect. They have need of both. It isn't clear which takes precedence, but if they get one they'll get the other. It may be that they are not the same thing.

There is no question about where they're going: primarily into industry and, to a lesser degree, into government. The present trend to merge the interests of industry and government (as reflected in the increasing number of liaison organizations) makes it difficult at times to determine just who is blowing the bugle. But blow it does. The teachers are not sneaking through the back door to other employment. A red carpet awaits them, at least temporarily.

"The shortage cannot help but affect unfavorably the rate of production of future scientists and the quality of their training" since "many students develop their interest in scientific careers at the high school level. Also adversely affected will be the knowledge and appreciation of science by the general public," since "many students are formally introduced to the sciences during their high school years, and for a large number high school courses represent their only formal study of the sciences," according to the A.A.A.S. bulletin, "Science Teaching Improvement Program."

The report adds: "There seems little question that many individuals now teaching science in the high schools are inadequately prepared in the subject matter of science."

Our personal survey showed, as might be expected, shades of opinions on a variety of subjects. We also found outright disagreements. But on one point unanimity was complete:

There is basically nothing wrong with American public education that more money wouldn't remedy.

The number of teachers must be substantially stepped up. Those we have and the new ones we must get will have to receive more money than is now paid.

There was a prevailing, but not unanimous, thought among those interviewed that we must approach the situation in the realistic manner that the military forces and heavy industry lay their cards on the table, *i.e.* demand that society produce the money now before it's too late. The stakes in public education are at least as high.

#### Contradictions

OTHER observations, some of which are partially contradictory:

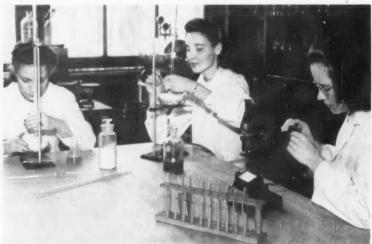
1. Extraordinary expansion of the high school curriculum has made it too easy for the student to duck the "hard" courses. He has to take mathematics to get into the better colleges, but not much chemistry or physics.

2. Neither physics nor chemistry should be required in the high school, but once a student has enrolled by his own selection he should be encouraged up to his limits by having pointed out to him the expanding opportunity for employment in the electronic and chemical industries.

3. If nonteachers are brought from industry into the schools to teach science, they should have a college degree and at least one fundamental course in education or its equivalent.

4. If high school science students are to be taken in large numbers into industry during the summer months it must be done with the understand-

Basic training for scientists, science teachers, or consumers.



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ing that they will return to school in the fall.

5. Ability grouping, particularly in the sciences, is commended if the schools are to perform their full function for both the superior and the normal student.

6. Teaching aids, television, et al. can be helpful if they are carefully edited and correctly used.

7. All interviewed felt that there is need for more men, for the presence of men, not only in the high schools but also in the grades. Men can't afford the jobs. Therefore, since they are needed and cannot be substituted for, men should get more money than women do for the same jobs, said several with whom we visited. Others, but by no means all, of those interviewed felt that the same logic should be applied to science teachers, men or women.

Discussing a Smith-Hughes vocational agriculture bill in the field of science education, Dr. Mayor expressed the opinion that such a bill will be introduced in this session of Congress and said:

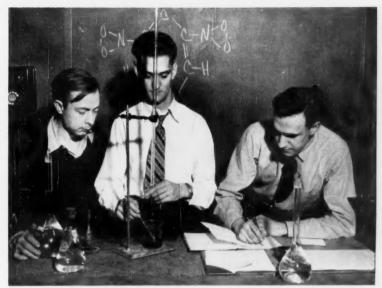
"I am not prepared to say what stand the A.A.A.S. will take on this bill. In general we would not favor such an approach. We are particularly anxious that science and mathematics teachers not be put in a special category. However, if raising the salaries for science teachers, even though it be through federal subsidy, would result in raising all salaries for all teachers, then the A.A.A.S. may support the bill."

#### The New Concern

THE new concern about public education is expressed almost exclusively by an industry-government group and applies, again almost exclusively, to the supply of technical and scientific manpower in the field of physical sciences and their applications.

It all goes back to 1947. At the close of World War II, Vannevar Bush, then director of the Office of Scientific Research and Development (which organized the nucleus which later became the Manhattan Project, developer of the atomic bomb), published a report called "Science—the Endless Frontier."

This, in turn, was followed by the report of the President's Scientific Research Board, sometimes referred to as the Steelman Report. Issued in 1947, this paper comprised the first



Where future science teachers are being educated, industry and government are competing to offer employment to the graduates.

major effort to define and stress the dependence of the United States upon the activities of scientists and engineers for military and economic security.

Out of this came the establishment of the National Science Foundation, the nation's first explicit concern with the care and feeding of scientists.

From then on the snowball started rolling. A recent investigation by the U.S. Office of Education reported 21 agencies operating on a national basis in studies of science and technical manpower.

Two questions arise in the minds of many scientist-educators m the present peacetime emphasis upon creating a stockpile of technicians and scientists through the efforts of public education.

1. Would such concentration of talent result in a supply sufficiently fluid to keep salaries and wages at nonemergency levels?

Industry's traditional adherence to the law of supply and demand is making some science-educators wonder why it isn't followed in the present instance. The less dedicated among them are fighting down a suspicion that industry will hire more scientists and technicians than it needs at the present price level.

Commenting last year before the Military Industrial Conference on the difficulties which company representatives encounter in seeking technical graduates for employment, Leverett S. Lyon, chairman of the executive committee of the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry, said:

"Speakers reported that one large manufacturing company had expressed a willingness to take all of this year's graduates of one outstanding engineering school; that, running short of students to employ, interviewers hired faculty members; that at one technical gathering more interviewers than candidates for positions appeared, and that the interviewers were presently trying to employ one another!

"It appeared that the only technic which these interviewers had not employed, in desperation, was raising their own salaries."

2. Do these planners, these mobilizers of human resources and talent, visualize a single purpose society in which consideration for industry—in peacetime—will transcend all other aspects of the human enterprise? If so, wouldn't it seem to be a dangerous toy to be playing with, particularly in times like the present?

The possibility of such a trend is particularly worrisome to educators when it is recalled that pressure for curriculum changes in the public schools as well as in the colleges and universities is coming from a powerful group with access to all means of communication and with a vast proportion of the nation's instruments for the molding opinion at its disposal.

"Because of the interest of government particularly, well supported by industry, special attention in all communication media has been given to the situation in science" in the schools, Dr. Mayor told the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education.

"Actually," Dr. Mayor said, "what scientists would like from the public schools is in close agreement with the desires of academic people in the other areas. There is indication that there will soon be a more united front among the academic group."

He said that some of the things the academic people "seem to think they want" in public education are:

- 1. Less emphasis on life adjustment and needs "as seen and interpreted by the pupil and more emphasis on the value of the ideas which make our civilization great and on which significant life achievement [as they see it] can be based."
- 2. Students better prepared for college, and more desire on the part of the more capable to go to college.
- 3. At least *equal* recognition for scholarly achievement with athletics and other extracurricular activities.
- 4. "Less fear of ability grouping."
  5. A better school program for the more gifted, say the upper 40 per cent, with an emphasis on study and scholarship for its own sake and spe-
- cial effort to create a love of learning.

  6. Teachers with status as scholars in their schools and communities.
- 7. Teachers better prepared in the subjects which they teach and inservice programs which help them keep up with subject matter.
- 8. A situation in which they can "with good conscience" recommend that their best students go into secondary school teaching.
- 9. More active participation on their part in teacher education programs
- 10. "The granting of emergency certificates, if this practice becomes necessary, with emphasis on subject matter rather than professional education."

"Many academic people know, first of all," Dr. Mayor continued, "that they can best achieve what they want by working with professional educators and classroom teachers much more than they have ever done before, and they also know that, if they do this, they will be much more sure whether what they now think they want is reasonable."

It is true that enrollments in physics and chemistry in the high schools are For views on science teaching from the nation's capital, see Wire From Washington (p. 120). What the nation's science teachers themselves think will be found in the report of their recent convention on page 90.

low, but this is by no means new. Physics hit its percentage peak in 1895 and chemistry in 1890. More than 20 years ago physics enrolled only about 6½ per cent and chemistry 7½ per cent of the high school population against a Nineteenth Century top of 22.7 and 10 per cent respectively.

Even in 1934 fewer than 60 per cent of the secondary school population was enrolled in all the science courses. This compares with 95.5 per cent in 1895 when fewer types of science courses were offered.

These figures take on a significance, touching on bewilderment, when it is recalled that the decline in high school interest in the physical sciences was, and is, contemporary with an outburst of scientific achievement that is fabulous.

#### Things to Be Done

THERE are some things that can be done, and are being done, to improve instruction, stimulate interest, reassess teaching values, and, in general, vitalize the approach to this area of instruction. These include the following seven-point program of the A.A.A.S.

- 1. **Stepped-up responsibility** on the part of scientists themselves who could see to it that college departments of science:
- a. Examine and frequently improve undergraduate courses and major requirements from the standpoint of their appropriateness for future high school teachers.
- b. Work with department of education and state officials to revise certification requirements so as to place greater stress on subject matter preparation of prospective teachers.
- c. Develop courses suitable for high school teachers in summer school which are designed to get them a master's degree (and therefore an increase in pay) in their own field.

d. Lend a departmental staff member to a neighboring high school to offer advanced instruction in science for a selected group of students.

- e. Support and sponsor conferences at which college and high school teachers may exchange information.
- 2. Emergency measures should include the arranging of special accelerated programs in education for senior undergraduate students who wish to qualify for teaching positions before the beginning of the next academic year.
- 3. Recruitment for the future requires not only the preparation and dissemination of guidance materials and vocational programs through radio, television and assemblies but also the utilization of scientists and engineers as counselors, as well as the encouragement of high school science clubs, fairs and junior academies of science.
- 4. **Study** should be given to unusual ways in which science teaching can be made more attractive financially: summer employment in science related industries or additional pay for directing student research projects and similar activities.
- 5. Investigate the effectiveness of teaching assistants and of such instructional aids as motion pictures, radio and television in increasing teaching efficiency and providing more attractive working conditions.
- 6. Complete plans to institute an annual program of awards to outstanding high school teachers in an effort to build up the prestige of science teaching.
- 7. Employ regional expert consultants to tutor, assist and serve as a source of information and help to the less experienced and less competent science teachers in a given area.

These suggestions can go a long way in shoring up the present foundation of science instruction in the high schools, but they are not basic.

The big job is to assimilate the enormous scientific and technological development of the past half century, the magnitude of which cannot yet even be closely estimated.

When this gigantic task is surveyed, the general categories outlined, and great scrutiny given to its educational approach and to its importance in the over-all endeavor of man, we can then begin to answer today's problem: What and how much science should be given, and under what conditions should it be taught in the high school program? Next month we shall pursue the subject.

The administrator's job is opening doors.

Some open readily; others resist.

Many can be opened with these



## SEVEN KEYS TO LEADERSHIP

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IT'S a poor superintendent who doesn't occasionally find himself hemmed in by problems. Every problem situation is studded with doors that are hard to open. Yet if the superintendent's leadership is to go any place, open them he must. It would oversimplify things to say that every one of these closed doors has its own key or that there are some keys which must open every door. Yet it is true that there are some master keys that have persuasive powers and will open more doors than others. Here are seven of them:

- 1. Every school should make a difference in its community.
- 2. The administrator is a social engineer.
- 3. The administrator is a teacher of teachers.
- 4. The administrator is a vicarious teacher of *pupils*.
- 5. The administrator is responsible for the success of his school.
- 6. The administrator is concerned with his teachers as *individuals*.
- 7. The administrator *himself* must grow personally and professionally.

Every school should make a difference in its community. Here is one of the newer concepts that are emerging in this quarter-century. What kind of difference should the school make? Schools ought to make a difference in the health and sanitation of the community, in its literacy, in its culture; they ought to raise the living standards by developing the economic resources. In the effort to enhance appreciation of spiritual values, the schools should make com-

mon cause with idealistic agencies in the communities, such as the churches. Finally, schools should corner active participation in civic affairs. How shall this be done?

It was done in one underprivileged community of small homes where the principal arranged for the landscaping of a particularly offensive cinder slope that marked the edge of the school grounds and overlooked the unkempt homes. Covered with soft grass and outlined by colorful flower gardens, the slope was a powerful silent salesman all by itself. Given status by being shared in some fashion by every class group in the school, it became vocal in every home. Before long small lawns and flower beds began to be noticeable around a few homes. Eventually, planting lawns and flower beds became "the thing to do" in that community.

Coordinating committees in many western communities have been formed at the initiative of school principals. These committees usually represent such interests as veterans' groups, service clubs, local civic and community clubs, churches, lodges, law enforcement agencies, and, foremost among the others, the local P.T.A. Such committees deal constructively with community conditions that affect children. Meeting regularly they keep one another posted about such conditions and bring influence as individual organizations or as a committee when improvements are needed.

One lovely home community was threatened with becoming a "ghost town." Valuable timber which had sustained it had all been cut. Mills and logging camps had closed. But before all was lost an alert superintendent of schools teamed up with a chamber of commerce. Experts from the state college and state resources board were brought in. A study of remaining soil and climate resources was undertaken. Who staffed it? High school students and teachers. It didn't happen overnight, but now that town is the center of a thriving berry and small fruit industry and a dairy industry of more than local significance.

Please note that the school leader took the initiative in each instance. Some guidelines: Start where the community is. Do not attempt to begin where somebody thinks it ought to be. Take the simplest problem first. Work cooperatively with parents, other citizens, and the agencies that can be of help. They can all cooperate with the school, often the only agency that could bring them together.

The administrator is a social engineer. How does the administrator proceed as a social engineer? Here are some ideas:

He studies the community with his teachers and lay leaders.

With the help of others he shapes the school program to meet the special needs of his community. This may mean locally some special emphasis on some parts of the course of study, or perhaps consultation with superior authority seeking permission to modify the course of study. It may include an all-over study by teachers and com-

He uses consulting experts and employs all the community resources

available. In many communities local people can help either in the classroom processes themselves or in the community at large.

He cooperates with other constructive agencies in the community. He realizes that the school is not the only agency interested in community advancement and that the school even if it wished to do so could not do the job by itself.

The administrator is a teacher of teachers. How does he teach? Here are some ways:

He discovers and develops the latent abilities of his staff members. That means he must "emphasize the positive." Here is how one principal missed the boat:

He worried because one of his teachers misspelled words on the blackboard but ignored the creative artwork which she and her pupils accomplished. After a year or two in his school, this teacher transferred to another school system. There she became known as an outstanding specialist in art and eventually was given the post of assisting other teachers. With the best of intentions, the first principal failed to discover and to develop the latent abilities that this young woman had.

He not only looks for talent and ability, but he is conscious of possible weaknesses, because he desires to be of assistance. His objective is to help the teacher become more competent. If she has problems his objective is to help her overcome them. Of course, in order to do this he needs to know what good teaching is. That means he must get out of his office, get into classrooms, see good things, become sensitive to the good things that are worth emulation by other teachers. Not that he gives Miss A a blueprint of something he picked up from Miss B. Far from it. He may suggest Miss A visit Miss B, or he may make other suggestions. But always he is willing to let Miss A work out her own salvation with such help as he and the experts whom he may be able to call in can provide.

He uses teachers in planning how his school or his school system may be improved. Twenty-five years ago or even 10 years ago this idea would have been regarded as revolutionary. Today it is becoming recognized as the thing to do. Make no mistake, it is not the easiest way to run a school or a school system. Probably it is

the most difficult, because it involves learning new ways of doing things. Cooperative planning is best, but not merely because it is the "democratic" way. It is the most practical way. Some superintendents and principals might be surprised to know how many things their teachers could tell them-things they ought to know-about their schools. Teachers have ideas-some of which are good-as to where and how improvements may be made. Warning: The superintendent or principal who has not been doing this should start on a small scale; that is, take some minor problem and informally ask teachers' advice. Always when trying something radically new it is best to make mistakes on a small scaleand, superintendents being mortal, mistakes are likely.

He brings expert assistance to teachers who need or who desire it. This should be self-explanatory, but sometimes principals and superintendents do not recognize that they are responsible for providing help for teachers who need or desire it. Sometimes this expert assistance comes from the county superintendent's office. Sometimes several reorganized districts join forces and pro-rate the cost of such services. Sometimes agencies outside the schools may help.

Teachers meetings are devoted to everyday problems, often problems suggested by the teachers themselves. From discussing these problems new understandings develop and the application of principles and laws of learning previously studied become clear. The teachers meeting that is not afraid to start with practical problems never has to be "vitalized."

He is human and considerate with his teachers. That is, he respects them as human beings. He is a good visitor when he comes into the classroom. A few years ago a superintendent asked each member of a committee of teachers to give him two short lists. First he wanted each to name the three things which principals or superintendents had done that were most helpful. Second, he wanted to know the three things which principals or superintendents had done that were most harmful.

What led the list of the most helpful things? Personal friendship and loyalty. Teachers prized the feeling that even if they made mistakes the principal or the superintendent was still their friend. He might tell them brutally where they had made mistakes but he did it in the privacy of his own office without an audience. And then he forgot about it. He was still a friend.

Among harmful things, the thing that led all the rest with these teachers was his taking notes in the classroom while he was visiting. Now why did teachers dislike his taking notes? Simply because they thought notetaking meant they had done something wrong. They kept wondering what they had been doing wrong with the result that they had trouble keeping up with whatever was going on in the classroom. Many superintendents and principals have been guilty of this. Often they were merely writing a note to themselves about something they needed to do when they got back to the office. But, of course, the teacher didn't know that.

Here is another harmful thing. Going into a classroom, listening attentively for a time, then leaving without even so much as a nod to the teacher; sometimes failing to mention the matter to the teacher again. Teachers are human; they want to know. Among the helpful things that superintendents and principals have done were to give a friendly nod upon leaving the room, possibly to whisper: "Fine work, I'm proud of you," or something to let the teacher know that she at least had not committed some fearful pedagogical crime. The study showed that even the best teachers feel that way. They too relish the occasional pat on the back, and it shouldn't be given too far down either.

The administrator is a vicarious teacher of pupils. What about the word "vicarious"? It means that he works through the personality of another human being. The teacher-pupil relationship is easily seen in the oneroom school. There the relationship is direct. But when the school is expanded to include a second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth room usually there is a principal. Now the relationship becomes indirect, and the principal must recognize that even though there are teachers in charge of the other classrooms he still has the same responsibility that he would have had if he had been the only teacher. The manner in which he discharges his responsibility is different, of course. But he has the same responsibility to see that every one of the children under his direction receives good instruction in the classrooms.

Without this key to leadership are those few principals or superintendents who are inclined to pass the buck to the teachers as though, if things were not going well somewhere, they could do nothing about it themselves.

Here are some of the ways in which the administrator serves as a teacher

of pupils.

1. He takes every child seriously. It happened in a primary room in an underprivileged neighborhood. It was in the spring of the year. The children were making plans to dramatize something which they had read and liked about a May queen. The teacher said, Who would like to be queen of the May?" And a little ragamuffin about whom the principal knew, the child of a home where the parents in some ways were not worthy to have a child, raised his hand with beaming face and said, "I would, I would!" "Ho, ho, ho," cried the teacher, "little Joe wants to be queen of the May. Isn't that a good joke, boys and girls! Why how could Joe be queen of the May because he is a boy? We are going to laugh at you, Joe!"

Little Joe's face was a picture of tragedy. Tears welled into his eyes, ran down his face. He had been humiliated before his equals by a thoughtless teacher. Give us teachers and principals and superintendents who take every child seriously even if some dirty little boy wants to be

queen of the May!

2. By example and precept, he sets the pattern of the school life. He looks for the gifted pupil and encourages him. He helps teachers who have difficulties in working with pupils who have difficulty. He helps build in each pupil a love of the good and beautiful and the true. That's the way the school strives to inculcate what are called moral and spiritual values. With his teachers he plans for a school life that will emphasize good sportsmanship, honesty, self-reliance, integrity, cleanliness, courtesy and all the rest. There will be good pictures, bright colors in the classrooms, good music as part of the life of the school so that it becomes a part of the child.

He with his teachers strives to give every pupil a chance to share responsibility for improving the school and the community. That means pupils taking part in planning things that are within the limits of their understanding. Some pupil planning may be done even in the kindergarten. There can be, of course, a great deal more planning done by the students in a high school.

Seattle schools turned the problem of Halloween vandalism over to the high school students. Some folk thought the superintendent demented for being so rash, but the results were convincing. The very first year vandalism was cut 90 per cent. We teach the privileges and duties of an American citizenship; we seek to inspire zeal for protecting the rights of others and promoting the general welfare. We need to supplement teaching with practice.

The administrator is responsible for the success of his school. It seems perfectly obvious that every leader should have this key, doesn't it? And yet, unless he has that feeling of responsibility, a good many doors will he leave closed. Possessing it, he sees good teaching as his primary responsibility. Consequently he strives for good working conditions for his teachers. Teachers like loyalty and thoughtfulness. If he possesses this key, the administrator will provide his teachers with the best working tools he can obtain - books, supplies, equipment. Sometimes the provision of even some slight equipment device or a special book or two makes a tremendous difference in the morale of a teacher.

There is another side to this, too. Teachers like schools that are well organized. Among the things which the aforementioned teachers committee listed as detrimental vere classroom interruptions. The principal and the superintendent have no business to be so disorganized themselves that they must interrupt classrooms frequently in order to make announcements or to have announcements made. There should be a regular period in the day for these, and what is forgotten today should be saved for tomorrow, barring emergencies, of course.

The administrator is concerned with teachers as individuals. In the spirit of these times it is possible that some might say that the most important ingredient of a school administrator's character is "liking people."

The administrator must never lose sight of the teacher as an individual and a human being. So, of course, he is concerned with the growth of each teacher as a person. He strives to make it possible for teachers to travel and visit, to take university courses,

to seek new horizons. Human beings somehow have to get out of their own little valleys and see the rest of the world if they are to be the kind of people that today's teachers ought to be. Through personal growth teachers also grow professionally.

The administrator looks for talent, tries to give talent a chance to try its wings. He must know his teachers well enough so that he can communicate with them freely. He is generous with praise when it is deserved. He doesn't hesitate to praise the superior teacher even though he thinks she probably knows she's good. She may be discouraged today! He praises the good teacher and has a word for the teacher who is struggling with difficulties, a word of encouragement. He never fails to give the teacher who develops a new idea plenty of recognition. The administrator not only must provide the climate conducive to growth, he must furnish soil, which means good pay, good equipment, and loyal backing before the public. Often this is his most difficult task.

The administrator himself must grow personally and professionally. Need for this key seems axiomatic, doesn't it? How could the leader be legitimately concerned with the growth of other people unless he is concerned about wider horizons for himself? Yet sometimes administrators become so overwhelmed by detail that they leave many doors closed. Of course, every administrator must be able to organize a school so it will operate smoothly. He must be a master of detail, but he must not be mastered by it. The principal who, when given secretarial assistance, merely does more clerical work than he did before instead of lending his inspiration, encouragement and assistance to his pupils and teachers has ceased to grow. For him unhappiness ahead!

The administrator who is concerned about his own personal and professional growth must come to realize that true happiness depends on growth. It never comes when sought directly. If it seems to come, it is gone like the will-o'-the-wisp the moment somebody says, "Here it is." Nathaniel Hawthorne wrote that happiness usually comes unexpectedly, when mortals are pursuing some other objective. That's in line with what a very wise man once said, "A cynic is a person made ignorant through experience." Find the administrator or teacher who

has ceased to grow and you find an

unhappy person.

It is human nature to become less and less active as one becomes more comfortably adjusted to his tasks. So the school administrator who would stay fresh must continue to open new doors. Different people do this by different means. One way to do it is by travel; other ways to keep professionally up to date are by reading professional books and magazines, by taking part in educational workshops and conventions, by visiting other schools in search of new ideas. The superintendent may join a study group

where he and fellow administrators compare notes about their mutual problems and share helpful experiences. Of course he is a member of his state education association, his state administrators' organization, and A.A.S.A.

In today's world the school administrator is more important than a general in the army because he is a leader of the fresh army of school children—the army of peace that every year takes over the schoolhouses of the nation. He is often the man behind the general, the statesman, the poet, the artist. Opinion studies made in commu-

nity after community show that the school superintendent is often regarded as the most important person. Many school superintendents are elected citizen of the year by their communities.

The administrator's job is opening doors—always more doors to open. In a dynamic society like ours where schools and school programs are born of tensions and conflicts, it must always be so. Some doors open readily, others resist. But the leader must make them open either through his own efforts or those of others. That is why keys are important, especially keys that open many doors.

## Finding and Keeping Teaching Talent

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WHAT qualities tend to lead to effective teaching careers? Which of these can be identified, and how, in early years?

As the wording of these questions makes clear, we do not aspire to certainty in predicting great teaching. But are there minimum qualities which can be identified and which lead to better than average teaching?

I suggest that the following are central enough to effective teaching to warrant close attention:

1. Intellectual competence — an orderly, creative mind, keyed to the search for the significant, not simply the novel or interesting.

A sturdy personality, and character and integrity beyond question.

3. The quality of independence.

4. A high level of physical vitality and energy, and the "self-starter" habit.

5. Enthusiasm, especially for creations of the mind and spirit.

6. A positive, affirmative attitude, as a result of which the individual usually looks at a problem in its largest terms, rather than becoming preoccupied with the small and negative aspects.

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These are intangible qualities which may be harder to identify in youth than in maturity, but the task is not hopeless.

What are the necessary conditions for the continuing and satisfying development of an effective teacher? If a teacher and his profession are well met, he will not want to leave it for another occupation. Yet many do. Why? It is this retention problem that interests me. Based on my own limited experience, several aspects seem important:

1. The school must recognize that it has a responsibility for the professional development of its faculty members. This is both an obligation and a selfish interest.

2. The school should make it clear that it expects continued growth and professional development.

3. Levels of compensation must, of course, be attractive. Progression within the scales should be selective enough and rapid enough to encourage exceptional effort and ability.

 There must be opportunities for creative work not immediately and directly related to teaching.

5. Personnel policies should contribute to the professional advancement of even those individuals who are not permanent members of the institution's staff.

One final observation: Not all of those who enter the profession should stay in it. Individuals as well as institutions make mistakes. I suggest that the senior, experienced members of the profession have an obligation to help identify the young teachers who should be in another occupation, to do so before permanent tenure is granted through their participation in their school system's personnel processses, and to see to it that the misfits do not become permanently imbedded in the profession. This is important in many and obvious ways, and I presume that it is not necessary for me to elaborate it.

#### PROBLEMS CAN BE SOLVED

For me, no other occupation offers the greatness of satisfaction and of privilege that is the essence of our profession. I came to this point of view by knowing a few wonderful human beings who happened to feel that way about their profession. If dedicated teachers impart this sense of value to their students, I believe that all of the problems of identifying, motivating, recruiting and retaining teachers can be solved.

## Teacher Shortage Trend Is Reversed

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A FIVE-YEAR trend has been reversed. It is likely that from now on the number of newly qualified teachers coming from the colleges will increase steadily, although not at all as rapidly as the need for more teachers will grow.

The Class of 1956 will contain almost 100,000 new qualified teachers ready to enter classroom service next September. The exact figure—96,097 is nearly 10 per cent greater than the 87,409 members of the Class of 1955 who met the requirements for the standard teaching certificate. Most of the increase is in the group prepared for high school teaching-57,348 compared with 49,697 a year ago, an upturn of 15.4 per cent. The number of college graduates prepared for elementary school teaching will increase only about a thousand-from 37,712 to 38,731, up 2.7 per cent.

#### REVEALING STUDY

A study of college records since public school enrollments started to increase at the end of the war is revealing. First, it must be noted that trends in the total number of students graduated by the colleges and universities tend to lag some three or four years behind the trend in total higher education enrollments. College enrollments increased substantially in 1953, exceeded all past records in 1954, and then set another new record in September 1955. But bachelor's degree recipients have dwindled steadily since 1950.

The total number of college graduates, after a slow increase from the mid-Thirties, reached a peak of 187,000 in 1940, then fell abruptly to 126,000 in 1944. Then came the sensational increase to a total of 434,000 in 1950, to be followed by a steady

year-by-year decline to 287,000 in 1955.

But these figures do not tell the whole story for school administrators. The chart shows that the number of women graduated from college changed only a little from 1938 to 1946 and that, after a substantial increase in 1948, this total has ranged right around the 100,000 mark for almost 10 years. Meanwhile, the number of men graduated from college jumped from 58,000 in 1946 to the unprecedented number of 330,000 in 1950 and has since steadily declined to 187,000 in 1955. It becomes clear that the makeup of, as well as the total number in, a graduated class becomes significant to the employer of teachers in view of the fact that three of every four public school teachers are women.

Unhappily, records concerning the number of college graduates who were prepared for teaching were not assembled prior to about 1950.\* A review of available records, however, brings to light two developments of peculiar significance to the employers of teachers. The first is this: Since 1950 the total number of college graduates has decreased by one-third, the total number of college graduates prepared to teach in high school has decreased correspondingly - 34 per cent - but the total number of college graduates prepared to teach in the elementary schools has increased more than onethird-35.5 per cent! This phenomenon can only be explained by the growing realization on the part of the public that the competent elementary school teacher must, first of all, be a broadly educated person. The widespread acceptance of this concept, together with the strengthening of certification requirements, is probably the distinguishing characteristic of the postwar era. The year-by-year changes are shown in the accompanying table.

#### LESS ENCOURAGING NEWS

Another, and less encouraging, factor is also shown in this table. It points to perhaps the most glaring weakness of counseling at both the high school and college levels, namely, the maldistribution of newly qualified high school teachers among teaching fields. The figures show conclusively that college students intending to become high school teachers choose their major fields almost wholly without knowledge of (1) the number of opportunities, and (2) the amount of competition in the various high school teaching fields.

These facts point up the case for a better counseling program: In the Class of 1950 there were more than 15,000 members prepared to teach social studies and more than 10,000 prepared in men's physical education, but only 9000 in science, even when those majoring in general science were combined with those majoring in biology, chemistry and physics. Superintendents, as well as college placement officers, will remember that the distribution of newly qualified candidates for teaching in these fields was completely out of line with the needs in 1950; social science and men's physical education majors were in considerable oversupply, but the number of new science teachers scarcely equaled the demand.

And what is the year-by-year record since 1950? The table shows that this

<sup>\*</sup>The first in the series of annual national teacher supply and demand studies was conducted in 1947-48. The ninth annual national report appeared in the March 1956 issue of the Journal of Teacher Education.

Total Number of College Graduates; Number Prepared to Teach in Each High School Field; Number Prepared to Teach in Elementary School; per Cent of Year-by-Year Change, 1950-56

College Graduates	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
RECEIVING BACHELOR'S DEGREES	433,734	384,352 -11.4%	331,924 -23.5%	304,857 -29.7%	292,880 - 32.5%	287,401 -33.7%	Not available
PREPARED TO TEACH IN HIGH SCHOOL; Majors in ART	2,225	2,296 +3.2%	2,249 +1.1%	2,019 -9.3%	1,856	1,930 -13.3%	2,219 -0.3%
Majors in HOME ECONOMICS	4,899	4,640 -5.3%	4,648 -5.1%	4,282 -12.6%	4,212 -14.0%	4,025 -17.8%	4,541 -7.3%
Majors in MUSIC	5,296	4,652 -12.2%	4,882 -7.8%	4,641 -12.4%	4,323 -18.4%	4,499 -15.0%	4,825 -8.9%
Majors in WOMEN'S PHYSICAL EDUCATION	3,178	2,562 - 19.4%	2,607 -18.0%	2,485 -21.8%	2,440 -23.2%	2,496 -21.5%	2,773 -12.7%
Majors in COMMERCE	7,235	5,750 -20.5%	5,165 -28.6%	4,571 -36.8%	4,076 -43.7%	4,434 -38.7%	5,544 -23.4%
Majors in FOREIGN LANGUAGE	2,193	2,133 -2.7%	1,859 -15.2%	1,519 -30.7%	1,368 -37.6%	1,328 -39.4%	1,489 -32.1%
Majors in SOCIAL SCIENCE	15,349	12,178 -20.7%	9,406 -38.7%	8,149 -46.9%	7,227 - 52.9%	7,572 - 50.7%	8,923 -41.9%
Majors in MATHEMATICS	4,618	4,118	3,142 -32.0%	2,573 -44.3%	2,223 -51.9%	2,155 -53.3%	2,600 -43.7%
Majors in ENGLISH	10,709	9,461 -11.7%	8,211 -23.3%	7,166 -33.1%	5,278 - 50.7%	5,507 -48.6%	5,924 44.7%
Majors in INDUSTRIAL ARTS	4,890	4,284 -12.4%	3,161 -35.4%	2,570 -47.4%	2,201 -55.0%	2,177 - 55.5%	2,658 -45.6%
Majors in MEN'S PHYSICAL EDUCATION	10,614	8,179 -22.9%	6,546 -38.3%	5,416 -49.0%	4,834 -54.5%	4,794 54.8%	5,633 -46.9%
Najors in SCIENCE	9,096	7,507 -17.5%	5,246 -40.3%	4,381 -51.8%	3,641 -60.0%	3,754 -58.7%	4,434 -51.3%
Majors in AGRICULTURE	3,294	2,404 -27.0%	1,891 -42.6%	1,601 -51.4%	1,541 -53.2%	1,430 -56.6%	1,579 - 52.1%
OTAL PREPARED TO TEACH IN HIGH SCHOOL	86,890	73,015 -16.0%	61,510	54,013 -37.8%	48,916 -43.7%	49,697 -42.8%	57,348 -34.0%
OTAL PREPARED TO TEACH IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	28,587	33,782 +18.2%	37,649 +31.7%	37,430 +30.9%	36,885 +29.0%	37,712 +31.9%	38,731 +35.5%
GRAND TOTAL PREPARED TO TEACH	115,477	106,797 -7.5%	99,159 -14.1%	91,443 -20.8%	85,801 -25.7%	87,409 -24.3%	96,079 -16.8%

(This table does not include students meeting certificate requirements at 90, 60, or 30 hour levels)

lack of baiance between supply and demand has been further extended—that the sciences have lost more rapidly than any other high school teaching field except agriculture. Meanwhile, American industrial life has expanded its demand for engineers and all kinds of scientists at a more rapid rate during the last five years than at any other time in our history.

But a study of the figures showing the number of college graduates who will become eligible to enter teaching next September tells only half the story. We must now ask these questions: Do the local school districts have the resources to compete successfully for the services of this new group? Can these young people be attracted to the teaching profession in the face of other employment opportunities which will be open to them?

The best available evidence points to the probable loss of just about one-third—33,000—of these new potential

teachers at the very moment they will become available. In the high school fields of greatest shortage the loss will probably be at least 50 per cent; at the elementary school level it may be held to 20 per cent.

#### IS THIS 65% EFFICIENT?

Why this loss? It is unthinkable that any other occupation requiring four full years of college preparation would suffer in this manner. Yet it continues, year after year, as we redouble our efforts to stimulate the interest of high school graduates in entering the four-year course of teacher preparation. A hard headed business man would say that we are no more than 65 per cent efficient in the routine process of recruiting, training and inducting into service.

The reason, of course, is clear. It is not because there is an insufficient number of personable young people interested in teaching. It is not be-

cause the four-year program of preservice preparation fails to spark the imagination and enthusiasm of the student. It is because the salaries offered in other occupations pull away the college graduates most needed in teaching service. In too many school districts the superintendent and school board cannot insist upon a budget that would enable them to obtain and retain the most wanted type of teacher. Teaching is being outbid in the marketplace.

In the recent local, state, regional and national conferences on education one of the major questions discussed was, "How can we get enough good teachers—and keep them?" Everywhere the conclusion was the same: There is no easy short cut to a quick solution of the teacher shortage; it is an inseparable part of a widespread shortage of trained manpower required to perform the high level activities in our complex society.

The most frequently expressed conclusion, included in the White House Conference report, emphasizes the need for an expanded base, up to and including the federal government, to carry the abnormally heavy burden of building construction which faces schools everywhere right now. It is daily becoming clearer that many districts are already encroaching unfairly upon future revenues in order to expand their physical plants. With overcrowded classrooms and nearly one million pupils now on half-day schedules, it is comparatively easy to arouse public opinion, to vote bond issues, to approve architects' plans, to initiate a building program, and thus to encumber the district with a maximum of future obligations. In other words, the present dire need for more classrooms readily leads to the immediate spending of revenues to accrue over the next 20 to 30 years. Bonds sold today are a prior lien against local taxes to become due during the life of the bonds. These future revenues. if spent now, cannot become available for current operating expensesteachers' salaries—as taxpayers make payments to the local treasuries, year by year, in the future.

The long-range search for a solution of the teacher shortage may well depend upon redoubled effort in these two ways: counseling wisely students who choose to prepare for teaching and safeguarding the future financial stability of the local school district.

Surely the evidence is clear that wise planning and thoughtful counseling must precede any improvement in the utilization of our trained manpower. To be effective, this effort must be strengthened in high school and be continued more vigorously in college; we can do much more in helping each youth to recognize his capabilities. And we can best motivate him to develop those capabilities through the use of objective data—facts—concerning the nature and the number of opportunities in educational service at all levels and in all fields.

But the overriding need is to strengthen the financial structure, to extend the base so that the future stability of the local district will be protected. Buildings constructed now to meet the abnormal needs of the moment will be of little future use if their costs so exhaust the resources of the community that these buildings cannot be staffed with competent teachers.

### It's Worth All the Effort

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IN HIS essay on "Great Men and Their Environment," William James makes the point that great men alter society in individual ways that are peculiar to their special gifts.

Reading this essay made me think of the superintendent of public schools in a small or medium sized town or city, a man who has devoted 25 or 30 years of his life to one school system, a man who has helped his school grow and has grown with it.

As he approaches retirement, a man in this position must wonder what will happen to the school system when a younger man takes over. What changes will be made? Will the principles he has worked and fought for survive? Has his life been well spent or should he have worked for different goals? Has his work been appreciated? Should he have been on the move to better his position? All of these thoughts must crowd into the mind of a man who has spent his life developing one school system.

Without being an Agassiz or a Voltaire, the superintendent of schools is an example of the individual who is able to alter society in an original and peculiar way. The fact that he is a superintendent of schools establishes him as a community leader and places him in the position of influencing the development of the community. His longevity has given the individual the time to make his contribution felt. The influence of the superintendent is greatest as the director of the education of the youth of the community.

#### SHAPING THE COMMUNITY

Under the direction of the superintendent, the school has created an environment that is favorable to the development of certain characteristics and not to others. If this is not true how can one explain the differences in communities? Why does one community produce winning basketball teams year after year while another community produces outstanding bands and vocal groups? One community has outstanding graduates in science. A coal

mining town in Wyoming has in the school an art gallery that has merited national recognition. Other developments are not so easy to see, such as social developments, the type and caliber of intellectual developments, and the attitudes that are developed, but they do exist. The results of these differences are carried out into the community as a whole, spread and become a part of the community.

The superintendent also influences the adults of the community. He works with the parents. He speaks at civic clubs and women's groups. He selects an important segment of the community when he recommends teachers to the school board. In brief, his thoughts and actions become important because of the position he holds.

#### THE WELL SPENT LIFE

The superintendent who is nearing retirement should be able to see and sense his contribution, as an individual, to the life and social patterns of the community. He must be able to take pleasure in this fact because certainly he has developed the things that he feels are most worth while. His influence is not a passing thing.

Regardless of the changes a new man makes in a school system, he must build upon the foundation that has been built by the retiring superintendent. All of the attitudes that have been developed in the minds of the children who were educated under the direction of the first man will remain forever.

Knowing these things to be true, the superintendent who is nearing retirement must feel that his time and efforts have been well spent. His long service to one school system and one community can be measured in the amount of his influence because only over a long period of time can the individual hope to modify the society in which he lives. He has been justly paid for his time. What other profession could give him the same opportunity to make a lasting individual contribution?

#### Virginia voted for

# Gradual Integration, But...

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EARLY this year Virginians voted 300,242 to 143,636 to call a constitutional convention to permit the use of public funds for tuition payments to private, nonsectarian schools. Beneficiaries of such payments would be an estimated 125 disabled and handicapped students in need of training programs not available in public institutions and 56 Negro college students, plus an undetermined proportion of the state's 724,475 public school students who may object to attending public schools if they become nonsegregated.

The referendum to amend the constitution was preceded by one of the commonwealth's most vigorous political campaigns in recent years. The vast resources and formidable prestige of the dominant state political organization, headed by venerable Sen. Harry F. Byrd, were thrown into the fray.

#### FORMIDABLE OPPOSITION

Despite recent demonstrations of strength by Republicans and the antiorganization wing of the Democratic party, which have combined forces to ruffle (but not seriously challenge) the complacency of the leadership, opposition in more than token form to organization endorsed recommendations is ordinarily unexpected. But one in every three votes was against a referendum issue backed by three former governors and virtually all of the top political leaders of the state, including Senator Byrd himself. The No vote on the referendum represents a formidable opposition in the eyes of many key leaders in state politics, according to reports of their privately expressed views.

Virginia has suffered á la Mississippi and Alabama in the nation's press as a result of the vote which apparently assures amending the constitution. Cartoonist Fitzpatrick in the St. Louis Post Dispatch depicted the "state of presidents" as a dunce in the corner. An editorial in the Des Moines\* Register said that "Virginians have gone to trouble and expense that might have been used in facing the facts," while the New York Times said editorially that "a majority of the voters of Virginia . . . have turned their backs on the future."

#### PRO-SEGREGATION MEASURES TAKEN

Within the state, pro-segregation sentiment has apparently predominated since the referendum. The state general assembly has sent Congress a resolution of interposition. Gov. Thomas B. Stanley has conferred with other Southern governors in support of a last ditch legal fight to maintain school segregation, with the allimportant blessing of Senator Byrd. Punitive legislation has been passed which deprives Arlington County of the only elected school board in Virginia following quickly upon its announcement that as soon as state regulations expected to implement the Gray commission recommendations were effective it would begin gradual integration. A resolution by the legislature declares that segregation is state policy for 1956-57, against the warning of the attorney general that it constitutes no defense before the requirements of the federal district court.

But there is little doubt that the voters who went to the polls Jan. 9, 1956, voted overwhelmingly in favor

of the enactment of the moderate proposals of the Gray commission, appointed by the governor in May 1954, just after the Supreme Court decision. The Gray commission recommended for legislative enactment procedures designed to hold the line for as large a measure of segregation as possible, as it had been instructed by the governor 14 months before. Its recommendations, nonetheless, would result in limited, gradual integration.

First and foremost of the considerations leading to the decision to hold a referendum was the provision of the Gray plan that students who do not wish to attend nonsegregated schools may receive a tuition grant to help defray the cost of private, nonsectarian education. The amount each would be entitled to is set as the per pupil cost of instruction in his local district; the state average for 1955-56 was \$188, ranging from \$108 to \$341. It was necessary to change the state constitution to make this possible. The change was also made necessary by action of the state supreme court of appeals late last year if certain handicapped and Negro college students were to receive tuition grants to permit them to attend private institutions. The latter consideration was of minor significance for voters.

#### PROPOSAL UNCONSTITUTIONAL

The tuition grant proposal is considered patently unconstitutional by competent lawyers both within and on the outside of the state political organization unless the private schools which receive public funds as tuition grants are nonsegregated. This obvious eventuality was soft pedalled during the

referendum campaign, but advocates gave as their opinion that "only a few of the better type" of Nego students would be able to obtain admission to the private schools affected. Many thoughtful Virginians undoubtedly prefer a limited, selective type of integration in such private schools to what they fear will take place in public schools. Nevertheless, the tuition grant aspect of the Gray commission report, which voters were apparently approving 2 to 1 in the referendum vote, permits-nay, requires-a measure of integration (else this part of the program will be declared unconstitutional).

The other main provision of the Gray commission report calls for a pupil assignment plan operated by local boards of education with power to require attendance on a basis of ability and other factors other than race. Not even the members of the Gray commission, instructed to maintain segregation if possible to the full extent, have claimed that this procedure could maintain complete segregation. Despite differences in academic achievement and other measures which might be used in assignment of pupils to a particular school, overlapping of ability between white and Negro groups is certain to occur to some extent if procedures are carried out in good faith. As in the case of tuition grants, the pupil assignment plan is intended to slow down integration and to maintain as large a measure of segregation as possible. However, it not only permits integration but makes it inevitable, albeit limited.

#### PEOPLE'S WISHES IGNORED

Few political organizations are highly responsive to the will of the people they represent. A measure of independence in the representatives elected by the people is an implicit element in the American way of government. But no political leadership group is entitled, under the American system of government, to ignore the wishes of the people.

Those who voted Yes in the referendum to permit the enactment of an important part of the Gray commission report voted in favor of limited integration, as I have described it. Those who voted No consisted in large part of a hard core of independent citizens who considered the Gray recommendations too conservative and who favored a more forthright attempt to abide by the decision of the Supreme Court.

How has the state's political leadership responded to the vote on the referendum? By voting an interposition resolution, by depriving Arlington County of its right to elect a school board, and by passing the Moore resolution declaring that the state's policy for 1956-57 is to continue segregation of public schools. Legislation which the state political leadership urged and which necessitated the referendum may not be considered for another year.

# Whom Shall We Send to College —the Few or the Many?

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S OME students of the question of who should go to college conclude that the upper 25 per cent intellectually should attend. The President's Commission asserted that formal education up to 14 years should be provided 49 per cent of the population and that "at least 32 per cent of our population has the mental ability to complete an advanced liberal or specialized professional curriculum." appears that we are headed toward the realization quantitatively of these implied goals. How we do the job for these favored 32 per cent-among them the exceptionally gifted-and how we define them is important.

I recall a conversation I had once with our Selective Service director, Gen. Lewis B. Hershey. He remarked that he wished he could be sure that every time he had competent technicians on a gunnery team he also would have a competent team leader. Does this serve to remind us that in the efforts of society to provide special incentives and opportunities for developing the brainy specialist, the especially gifted in the sciences or in the arts, somewhere among "the many" is a boy or girl less gifted intellectually who may have qualities of mind and heart that make him potentially a great servant of his fellow man. Can he be identified when the scholarships are being passed out? Will he have the privilege of being a student alongside 'the few" whom he one day must understand in order to help them, even

lead them? Is an institution dominated by "the few" a sound educational enterprise? Are not there ways within an institution to accommodate the needs of both, and produce a sounder man, better equipped for having developed mutual understanding or at least tolerance?

If one looks to the junior college or the community college to accommodate the many and relieve the senior colleges of some of that burden, it is probable he is mistaken. For the very availability of higher education represented by the community college, no matter how much the terminal character of one is stressed, brings more students into college from high school and in the end more bachelor's degrees than would otherwise be produced.

Nevertheless, it has been urged at times that it would be desirable to reduce the premium placed on a degree per se as an encouragement to many of "the many" to level off their education at a lower level. This notion contains many untenable elements. Would it be sounder to hope that some day the holding of a degree per se would not carry with it any advantage to the individual which the substance of the degree did not warrant?

Let me conclude by saying that the education of "the many" is as noble an enterprise as is the education of "the few," that each is difficult, important, expensive and philosophically troublesome. In our efforts to improve what we do for either, the other group must not be neglected. And, after all is said and done, sadly but truly, educated human beings are always "the few."

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# Public Schools Are Convenient Scapegoats

The real blame is Lamarck's—because of what he contended but couldn't prove— and Mendel's—because of what he proved but didn't publicize

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S CHOOL people have long recognized that some, if not much, of the hostile criticism directed their way by parents springs from the human need of a scapegoat. For aside from parents themselves, schools and teachers are symbols, if not exactly seats, of authority. And who doesn't find relief in taking a poke at those who represent authority?

When things don't go right, when Junior lamentably proves that he is not a chip off the old block or just as lamentably proves that he is, how comforting to blame all on the educational system, its myrmidons and minions. Junior himself likes this answer. It would hardly do for the chip to reproach the block. It isn't nice to hate your parents, and it's particularly bad form to admit it. Parent and child can exculpate and luxuriate together—really intercommunicate—in the sport of external blame fixing.

In most cases parental resentment is abated on closer acquaintance with school and teacher. God bless the P.T.A., which has fostered such acquaintance. Of course, one may sometimes suspect that Junior regards the association of P. with T. as a particularly unholy alliance directed against himself.

But this business of blindly casting the school as an old goat involves just a simple bit of humanly frail psychology through which we all learn to live. It's good that parents should be partisans of their children. How infinitely worse when they aren't!

More baffling for teachers are the complaints about the schools which come heavily documented from the most literate and articulate patrons, those who are prepared to show that their offspring aren't doing as well in school as their very own parents did. Surely a drop of 27 points in the current quotations on family stock is proof that the schools aren't what they were.

Casting about in my own experience with those who of their own experience claim that the schools are not teaching the decencies now as of yore and cheerfully eschewing the labor of re-examining the evidence, I too select a scapegoat, in fact, two of

them. I put the finger on Lamarck and Mendel. These two botanists are at the bottom of a lot of it.

How come? Well, one of them is to blame for being wrong, the other for being right. If the Chevalier de Lamarck (1744 to 1829) had been as able to prove as he was to contend that the characteristics acquired by parents are transmitted to their children in like or better degree, the schools would not be dealing with youngsters who can never learn to read or cipher as well as Pop and Mom. And if Gregor Johann Mendel (1822) to 1884), shuffling the genes of edible peas, had not established that offspring do not draw their talents and defects solely from their most immediate ancestors, the school could pin the responsibility right back on Mom and

You see why I blame Lamarck and Mendel. Especially the gentle Mendel. He allows that while traits tend to cluster up in certain hereditary strains, all sorts of variants come down genewise from a horde of geometrically compounded forebears. Furthermore, this Mendel, sufficiently ignored in his own lifetime, has let himself be ignored also by the Moms and Pops of this era. So—

So if, for example, Pop is the finicking kind of person of whom magazine editors and English teachers are made, he is likely to be superconscious of his daughter's divigational spelling and highly unsympathetic with his son's view that commas are namby-pamby affectations as unworthy of a growing boy as soap behind the ears. Pop was never like that. Neither was Mom, the only other gene-source involved—thinks he. Ergo, a plague on these schools, these schools which their Bestor friends will tell them have abjured scholarship.

But I cuss Mendel—first, of course, taking a good sharp look at Junior's ability tests and achievement profiles and wishing I had for comparison those of his parents and grandparents at the same age. Because, you know, it might just be that the school is really falling down on its job. That is always the first possibility to explore and condition to correct. Certainly the school should not, as I do, also fall into the "projection" error.

But the chances are that the school's estimate of ability is better than that of the parents. In diagnosing difficulties the school has the incomparable advantage of so many more cases than

has even the most prolific parent on which to build generalizations from which to make deductions.

Too often we must reflect sadly that the higher the ability of the parents the less likely it is that their lad will equal them—though the more likely that he will outstrip his classmates. No one is surprised that Cromwell's son or Lincoln's or Browning's did not inherit his father's special genius. But when this thing comes close to home—well, it is a hard matter to explain to disappointed ears, especially if, as so often happens, the parents have been longing to see their own defeated ambitions realized by their progeny.

Otherwise, the scientific evidence would not be so hard to accept. Parents are frequently, if not always, ready to admit degrees of difference in talent as between or among their children, especially if on one they have hit the jackpot. Indeed, and they may be right, fathers who are themselves able in mathematics are prone to condone lack of mathematical sense in their daughters, as if this particular ability were either sex linked or permanently latent in the female.

Still I have noticed that even when they accept Mendel intellectually, parents will, when occasion and irritation serve, again betake themselves to an entirely different frame of reference, the one in which school and teachers find themselves framed.

At this point I must enter some disclaimers. First, I admit and gladly acclaim multitudes of literate and articulate parents who do not expect their children to manifest all the parental virtues, content if only they escape or decently conceal their portion of the parental vices. The trouble is that literate and articulate though they be, these parents are less vociferous than the others.

Second, I am always hopeful that many slow starting scions from the right side of the intellectual tracks will with maturity come closer to the expected family pattern. I remember the boy who explained to me his earlier reluctance to perform: "I figured the family was already running too much to brains." And I am hopeful, too, that many parents will yet discover in their children compensating excellences. I knew one literary gent who, after nagging his son bitterly for years, was glad at last to learn what the boy's teachers had known all along, that the lad's ability to handle facts and people was greater and of more use to the

Mendel established that offspring do not draw their talents and defects solely from their most immediate ancestors.

world than his father's ability to handle words had ever been.

Third, while I have known papas who couldn't count beyond 10 without the aid of a C.P.A. and still had the gall to inveigh against the brand of arithmetic taught to their children in the schools, I know that there are millions of others who are proud of the scholastic progress of their young, that there are even those parents who do not ascribe all such progress to some obscure virtue of their own but willingly share credit with the schools.

Fourth, when I was talking about finicking magazine editors back there I didn't really mean it. I love their prejudices in favor of literacy; I have even tried to communicate them. My point is that these things are (1) not directly inherited but (2) communicated, and (3) in marked degree only to susceptible subjects. I shall continue to do my best to instill veneration for good and reasonably correct writing even in those who can achieve only the respect and not the skill.

Like all teachers I have deep sympathy and high respect for the parents

of those who fall short of hope and expectation. I just wish more of them would face genetic facts bravely instead of teachers angrily. Maybe someday a biological psychiatrist will be quoted to their help in the *Reader's Digest*. And maybe I'm expecting too much if I expect that to make any difference. Home truths so seldom get home.

So I conclude, for the moment, with this reflection. Because discussing the Mendelian concept with parents is freighted with more peril than profit, all that I have set down here has none but therapeutic value—and that only for school people. The therapy is the kind that comes from the process of analysis itself rather than from any solution of the problem, the kind that leads at best only to perspective. This can be pleasant and almost sufficient, except, of course, to those grim souls who scorn any conclusion less austere than one which they may proclaim as "a philosophy."

Some day when I understand things better I suppose I may even forgive Lamarck and Mendel

## Are School Attorneys Necessary?

Survey made in Michigan shows lawyers perform services related to nearly all phases of general school administration, from budgeting to public relations

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PRESUMABLY, no board of education would retain an attorney unless the need for his services could be justified professionally. To act on any other basis could indicate a loss of confidence in the superintendent of schools or failure to make effective use of the aids that are available.

With the assistance that is available, why should it be necessary for a board of education to retain a school attorney for any purpose other than settlement of issues that may require litigation?

By design, a superintendent of schools is the chief executive officer of the school system. His competency to administer the provisions of statutory law pertaining to the school district is normally assumed by the board of education at the time of his employment.

#### LEGAL AIDS AVAILABLE

The superintendent and the board have at their command a multiplicity of legal aids. These aids are the work of many agencies, with the major producer being the state department of public instruction. The list of aids is as varied as it is comprehensive. It includes handbooks and bulletins on subjects ranging from certification to financial accounting; newsletters and magazine articles that interpret state legal requirements in child accounting and other areas, and, finally, a state school code wherein the laws of the state that relate to education are compiled and indexed for reference purposes. Current and projected legislation is discussed at meetings of state, regional and local educational groups.

It should be possible to obtain considerable evidence about the need for a legal adviser from school attorneys, members of boards of education, and school superintendents. Certainly school superintendents should be able to provide pertinent and reliable information concerning: (1) the number of school districts retaining a private attorney or law firm, (2) the services the attorneys are providing school districts, (3) the administrative relationship of the attorney to the superintendent of schools and the board of education, and (4) the value of private legal counsel for the school district. These four items and one relative to the cost of legal services were the basis of an inquiry conducted among selected school districts of Michigan in 1955.

In all essential aspects the inquiry reflected the technics of descriptive research. Only those school districts in Michigan that employed between 20 and 800 teachers were considered in the survey. The 20 to 800 distribution was selected for three reasons. The research was conducted under the sponsorship of 13 metropolitan Grand Rapids school districts. This group was primarily interested in the problems of the small but rapidly expanding school system. In addition, the large city school systems in Michigan -those with a population of more than 100,000-were known to employ school attorneys. The cut-off point of 20 was established to eliminate from the lower extreme of the range nearly 3000 Michigan school districts that did not have superintendents of schools. These limitations resulted in a study area that included the school districts with a population range of from 1500 to 100,000.

The districts were listed alphabetically, and a systematic sample was drawn by selecting every second school district. The school superintendents in the selected districts were then mailed postal card questionnaires. An affirmative response by the school superintendent to the question, "Did the school district retain an attorney in 1954?" automatically placed the school district in the second group. The superintendent of each district included in the second group received a detailed questionnaire on the extent and cost of legal services.

#### RETAINING ATTORNEY COMMON

Based upon the data of the survey, the generalization can be made that in Michigan the retaining of a school attorney is a common but not uniform practice. Of the 170 school districts contacted in the initial survey, 114 retained an attorney in 1954 and 56 did not. As shown in Table 1, the smaller school districts, those with from 20 to 40 teachers, made the least use of private legal counsel, while all districts employing more than 140 teachers, or those with an enrollment of more than 4000 pupils, retained an attorney. Thus, the smaller school districts appear to have less need for a school attorney than do larger districts, but this conclusion cannot be applied

If size were the only factor operating to produce the need, then there



Table 1—Employment of Attorneys in 170 Michigan School Districts

	Number of Districts		
Size District by Number of Teachers	Retain Attorney	No Attorney Retained	
500-600	1	0	
400-500	3	0	
300-400	2	0	
200-300	5	0	
190-200	1	0	
180-189	3	0	
170-179	0	0	
160-169	1	0	
150-159	0	0	
140-149	2	0	
130-139	1	1	
120-129	1	0	
110-119	1	0	
100-109	5	1	
90- 99	2	2	
80- 89	2	2	
70- 79	9	1	
60- 69	12	4	
50- 59	6	2	
40- 49	14	3	
30- 39	18	16	
20- 29	25	24	
TOTAL	114	56	

should be few, if any, school districts in the 20 to 40 teacher category retaining an attorney. The responses do not show this relationship. In the 20 to 40 teacher category where the results should be predominantly negative there were more positive responses (43) than negative (40). Although size may accentuate the need, factors or conditions other than size must be operating to bring about the retaining

of private attorneys by public schools in Michigan.

One indication of need for service is the frequency of calls for legal assistance. To determine the frequency of service calls, the school superintendents were asked how often during 1954 the school districts used the services of an attorney or law firm. The answers given by the majority can best be summarized by the phrase, not very often. Only one of the 103 school superintendents indicated that the school district used the services of an attorney on a day-to-day basis, and only seven responded that the school district had need for legal counsel on a weekly basis.

The majority of requests for legal assistance tended to coincide with the regular meetings of the board of education, with 44 school superintendents indicating a use rate of legal services of once a month. However, there are many school districts where the use rate is considerably lower. Twenty-seven school districts requested legal aid once or twice a semester, and 20 asked for legal aid only once or twice a year.

In an analysis concerning the necessity of retaining private legal counsel, data on frequency of service calls should be studied in conjunction with the results obtained by applying additional measures including (1) other sources of legal assistance, and (2) the legal services performed by school attorneys. For assistance on certain legal problems school superintendents in Michigan may, for example, contact the department of public instruction

School Attorney Paul O. Strawhecker (seated) checks with the architect and school officials on insurance and completion of penalty clauses in specifications for an addition to an elementary school in the Godfrey-Lee district, metropolitan Grand Rapids. Standing are (left to right) Supt. Lloyd C. Fry, **Board President Peter** Waalkes, Secretary Robert Schellenberg, Trustee Gabriel Quakkelaar, and Architect James K. Haveman.

or, perhaps, the county superintendent of schools.

So that channels of legal help used by the school districts could be discovered, the school superintendents were asked to report on the agent or agency that proved most helpful in interpreting the provisions of the Michigan school code. The school superintendents identified two major sources of legal assistance: (1) the attorney retained by the school, and (2) the department of public instruction, used at about the same rate.

This would indicate that, in Michigan, school superintendents do not rely exclusively upon designated public

Table 2 — Services Performed by Attorneys in 103 Michigan School Districts

Service Performed	Frequency of Mention
General legal counsel	. 81
School elections	. 76
Bonding	. 64
Real estate negotiations	
In-court representative	
Contract writing	. 25
School plant planning	
Public relations	
Budget review	
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agencies for an interpretation of the school code, although this service is without cost to the district. The cost factor, operating in this instance against the retaining of private legal counsel, is offset by other conditions. One of the conditions is probably the extensive range of services provided by private attorneys.

The services performed by attorneys in the 103 school districts are related to nearly all phases of general school administration, from budgeting to public relations, as Table 2 (p. 59) shows. Although a specialist, the school attorney normally does not confine his activities to one phase or division and exclude all others.

#### THREE OR MORE SERVICES

In each of the 103 school districts, the attorney was performing three or more of the services shown in Table 2. The three services most frequently grouped were general legal counsel, school elections, and bonding. Although the categories are not mutually exclusive, a sufficient distribution of activities is shown to indicate the scope of the task facing private attorneys. Offering full and adequate legal coverage on all school problems is apparently beyond the resources or perhaps the desires of many local school attorneys.

Of the reporting school districts, 57 employed one attorney for all legal problems, while 39 retained one attorney or law firm for general school problems and a different attorney for assistance on bonding programs. The activities of private attorneys in Michigan appear to be concentrated in two major divisions: (1) general school problems that may or may not require court hearings, and (2) special school problems directly associated with the construction of buildings including site negotiations, elections and financing.

The differences between the two divisions extend to the methods of payment. General legal services are usually paid for on the basis of retainer fees. In the school districts as sampled, annual retainer fees ranged from \$50 to \$2400 depending, in the majority of cases, upon the size of the school district. Specialized legal assistance in the area of school plant expansion is based upon a rate plan. In the selected school districts of the survey, amounts paid clustered closely about a rate of ½ of 1 per cent of the bond issue.

As the need for private legal counsel in Michigan school districts was explored, an attempt was made to discover if the current demand for legal aid had penetrated the administration of instruction. For this purpose an activity of importance in the administration of instruction—the selection of textbooks—was made the subject of a

question. The responses of the school administrators revealed one limitation on the responsibilities of school attorneys. None of the 103 school superintendents in 1954 had used an attorney to aid the school staff in the evaluation of textbooks.

Additional data that should prove helpful in determining the necessity for the employment of private attorneys were obtained by means of questions concerning administrative relationships of the attorney to the school superintendent and the board of education. Ideally, the highest degree of justification for the employment of private attorneys should exist in those school districts with an executive officer who has sole responsibility for recommending the employment of the attorney to the board of education. Justification for employment should be further strengthened among Michigan school districts if attorneys are responsible to the superintendent of schools for their school service activities and not to the board of education.

On the first point, 55 of the 103 school superintendents reported they had complete responsibility for recommending the employment of the school attorney to the board of education. However, in 34 school districts the board of education had assumed this responsibility, with the recommending authority being either a committee of the board of education or a member of the board. Fourteen school superintendents indicated that the responsibility had not been definitely assigned. In these school districts selecting an attorney was a matter of joint consideration by the board of education and the superintendent of schools.

#### WORKS WITH SUPERINTENDENT

The concept that the attorney should work directly with the superintendent of schools was more strongly supported. In 80 of the 103 school districts, the opinions and findings of the attorney were discussed with the superintendent of schools before they were presented to the board of education. In eight school districts the attorney worked directly with the board of education and seldom, if ever, discussed his findings with the superintendent of schools. In 15 school districts administrative responsibilities were not clearly defined.

With the superintendent of schools retaining the authority to recommend the attorney, there exists reasonable assurance that the appointment of school attorneys, in at least the majority of Michigan school districts sampled, stemmed from an adequate study of need. That the school attorney did not service needs or assume functions that should be the responsibility of the chief executive officer of the school system was further supported by the data on administrative relationships, which revealed that by-passing of the school superintendent's authority had occurred in few Michigan school districts.

#### CONSUMER SATISFACTION

One of the tests of service is consumer satisfaction. If school attorneys are meeting needs effectively and efficiently, then the benefits the school district receives should be equal to or greater than the cost of services. That a high degree of consumer satisfaction existed among Michigan school administrators in 1954 for private legal counsel was apparent from their responses to a question about the value of their attorney's services. Only four of the 103 school superintendents reported that the cost of the attorney's services was too high for the value received. The majority of school administrators (71) indicated that benefits and costs were about equal, and a strong endorsement of private legal counsel was made by 28 school superintendents, who indicated that the cost of legal services could have been considerably higher in terms of the benefits received.

The nature of the problems encountered by the school attorney requires, on his part, a high degree of technical competency and an appreciation of public education. The stronger his qualifications, especially in an understanding of school law, the more effectively he can serve the local school system. By a decided majority, the school superintendents indicated that, when they selected private legal counsel, the attorney's knowledge of school law was more important than his ability to work with the board of education or the superintendent of schools, and decidedly more important than the cost of his services.

Upon the basis of data relative to the four factors of the survey—the employment of attorneys by size of district, services provided, administrative relationships, and benefits of service—the qualified school attorney thus may be considered to be a highly desirable, perhaps essential, administrative resource for Michigan public schools.

THE first article in this series described the financial difficulties in which most teachers now find themselves. In no sense can teaching maintain its rank among the great professions unless it is sufficiently respected for the remuneration to be comparable to that of lawyers and physicians.

It is well known that many teachers find it both desirable and necessary to supplement their teaching salaries through gainful employment beyond the regular school day and week, during vacations, and in the summer months. That they do so calls vivid attention to two suppositions:

1. Teachers are professionals and, therefore, must maintain a professional standard of living.

2. Teaching apparently is not a full-time profession requiring all the time and energies of those engaged in it or they could not undertake supplemental gainful employment.

A Problem of Increasing Significance. The administration of teaching as a profession faces a problem of increasing significance with regard to supplemental gainful occupational employment of teachers. This trend has been growing rapidly during recent periods of increased cost of living and prosperous times which make available so many such opportunities for gainful employment. There seems to be a significant current effort to stimulate the teaching profession to rise above the traditional attitude toward teaching to which there has always been attached a certain impecuniosity.

As early as 1932, the National Education Association<sup>1</sup> became concerned with this problem, noting at that time that about 6 per cent of the income of married men teachers was derived from noncontractual sources. Among rural married men teachers four years later, the percentage had increased to 9, and among all teachers had increased to 12 per cent. It is significant to note that this increase occurred during recession years when part-time jobs were less plentiful.

Beginning with 1940, a sharp increase was noted in the extent of outside employment of teachers, particularly men teachers. The practice became so marked that numerous state

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and local studies<sup>2</sup> were made of the problem. These studies showed that from 50 to 75 per cent of men teachers, both elementary and secondary, have been supplementing their teaching income through outside employment.

Amounts received varied widely; one study reported a mean yearly supplemental income of \$873. More than 2 per cent of men teachers studied earned an additional supplemental income in excess of \$2500. Moreover, 35 per cent of all men teachers reported that their wives were working in order to supplement their own "meager" salaries. It should be noted that some of these studies were made during the World War II period when the added services of all citizens were required for the war effort.

Since 1950, the trend toward supplementing salaries has continued at a significant pace. For example, in St. Louis in 1951, it was reported that only 8 per cent of men teachers lived on their professional incomes. All of the remainder (92 per cent) were engaged in various types of supplemental employment or their wives were engaged in some type of gainful employment outside the home. In Detroit in 1952 a similar situation was noted. In every instance the reason given by men teachers for earning supplemental income was the necessity for maintaining an adequate standard of living for themselves and their families. Studies in other cities reveal similar situations.

Supplemental Income of Men Teachers. Some recent studies<sup>3</sup> of supplemental incomes involve more than 1400 men teachers, located in all types of communities, urban, suburban and rural. These data represent both single and married men teachers, all of whom had some dependency load. The typical man teacher was nearly 40 years old, had a master's degree, and had about 12 years' teaching ex-

In smaller communities and rural areas, seven out of 10 men teachers reported supplemental income, while in the suburban and urban areas the ratio had risen to nine out of 10 men teachers. Thus the conclusion is obvious that the typical man teacher finds it both convenient and necessary to obtain supplemental income in order to maintain a desirable standard of living for himself and his dependents. Conversely, one might say that comparatively few men teachers do not now supplement their salaries in some manner. Many of the younger men teachers are using a portion of their time in activities that may not necessarily be listed as gainful employment, such as advancing themselves educationally. As soon as their education is completed it is likely that they will look for supplemental employment.

Nature of Supplemental Employment. Of those gainfully employed, about six out of 10 are so engaged during the winter months, with a similar ratio during the summer months. Many work during both periods. In these studies, there seems

<sup>9</sup>For a review of these studies, consult Denbow, John Edward: A Study of Supplemental Incomes of Male Teachers in the Public Schools of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, doctor's dissertation, University of Pittsburgh, 1953; Kring, Frederick Stevens: A Comparative Study of Supplemental Income of Male and Female Teachers in the Public Schools, doctor's dissertation. University of Pittsburgh, 1955.

Teaching Is Still a Part-Time Profession

<sup>&</sup>quot;These studies have been conducted in the division of school administration of the school of education, University of Pittsburgh, during the last three years. They represent an attempt to ascertain the prevailing economic position of teachers and administrators through personal interviews and similar means.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;National Education Association: The Teacher's Economic Position, Research Bulletin (September) 1935, p. 4. Also National Education Association: The Rural Teacher's Economic Status, Research Bulletin (January) 1937, p. 7.

to be little difference among elementary, junior high, and senior high school men teachers.

The length of time that men teachers work to supplement their salaries varies widely, the median number of hours being about 10 weekly during the school year. About one out of four men teachers works more than 15 hours weekly. During the summer the median number of weeks the men are employed is about nine (five days weekly). About three out of four men teachers held one outside job. However, about one out of four held two or even more jobs.

The prevailing type of employment for men teachers is professional and managerial in nature (65 per cent), such as recreation, accountant, engineering, technician, musician, newspaper work, summer camp, teaching boys' work, and religious work. But a wide variety of skilled and semiskilled occupations is listed, such as bartender, bus driver, carpenter, clerical worker, farm worker, inspector, lifeguard, maintenance man, painter, plumber's helper, real estate salesman, service station attendant, truck driver, and repairman. A smaller percentage of men is engaged in unskilled occupations of labor status. Nearly 150 distinct occupations have been identified in these studies, the nature of which varies little between the school vear and the summer. In fact, many men teachers continue the same employment throughout the school year and the summer, especially if they operate their own businesses.

The range in supplemental income received is wide, the median amount reported being about \$1200 annually. Many men teachers doubled their teaching salaries through supplemental incomes. The highest supplemental income reported was \$13,800 (real estate operator). These figures do not include the incomes of those men teachers whose wives are gainfully employed (about one in five). A working wife's income supplements her husband's, on an average, about 30 per cent. There is wide variance.

Supplemental Income of Women Teachers. It must be remembered that teaching today is predominantly a woman's profession, approximately four out of five classroom teachers being women. Since the median age of teachers is gradually rising, 4' it should

Clerical and sales occupations contribute the largest area of supplementary employment, followed in order by professional and management work, services, and sundry skilled and semiskilled types of work. Specifically, these women are clerks, counselors, recreation leaders, musicians, newspaper workers, receptionists, salesladies, seamstresses, secretaries, department store clerks, technicians and teachers (other than public school). Some women teachers supplement their salaries with other income such as rents, interest, alimony, support for children, gifts and dividends.

Economic Necessity. Women teachers gainfully employed are emphatic in declaring that their supplemental income is an economic necessity in order to maintain a decent standard of living, support dependents, educate children, pay hospital bills, further their own education, pay debts, enjoy a few luxuries, take a vacation, and save a little. For some teachers it becomes an emotional outlet; for others a means of releasing energies not entirely utilized during the school day; for still others an opportunity to meet people and engage in some form of community service. Many women teachers not now so employed declare that they would much prefer to engage in some such activity providing for supplemental income if their health

<sup>5</sup>Naylor, Frank M.: A Study of the Supplemental Incomes of Women Teachers in the Public Schools, doctor's dissertation, University of Pittsburgh, 1956. See also Ruml, Beardsley, and Tickton, Sidney G.: Teaching Salaries Then and Now, Bulletin No. 1, The Fund for the Advancement of Education, New York, 1955. See also Kring: op. cit.

and home conditions would permit and the opportunity were available.

Restrictions. Still another factor affecting the supplemental income of both men and women teachers is the attitude of many boards of education and administrators, especially in terms of restrictions imposed as a part of their contractual relationships. These restrictions take the form of allowing no supplemental activity, placing limitations on the number of hours of employment, and permitting no menial or degrading work. In addition, many restrictions are imposed on teachers concerning the number of credits earned in improving their educational status while teaching.

Thus the part-time nature of teaching becomes all the more apparent. The fact that teachers can find the time to engage in supplemental gainful employment raises the debatable question as to whether teachers are being paid for full-time or part-time employment. In either case, salary schedules as well as length of school day and term and corresponding school schedules should be adjusted in accordance with a declared philosophy in this respect, which up to the present time seems to have been studiously avoided.

Some Conclusions. These studies indicate clearly that most men teachers and an increasing number of women teachers now are engaged in remunerative activities over and beyond their classroom teaching assignments in order to earn supplemental incomes and maintain an adequate standard of living. The nature of these activities varies widely, as well as the extent of income received. Certain conclusions stand out clearly:

1. Teaching as a profession is moving definitely toward a higher professional status requiring a higher standard of living and a corresponding need for increased financial resources to maintain it.

2. In order to maintain this higher standard of living, most men teachers and an increasing number of women teachers are now engaged in outside activities designed to supplement their teaching salaries.

3. The fact that they can engage in these activities beyond their classroom teaching indicates that teaching is still a part-time profession.

In the next article I shall examine the administrators' economic position.

also be pointed out that teaching is largely a profession of mature men and women. Our studies show that approximately one out of four women teachers has a supplemental income, through various types of gainful employment. Many women teachers average about 10 hours weekly during the school year and consider the danger point of such extra time beyond 15 hours weekly. Widowed teachers with dependents form the largest single group so employed; single and divorced teachers follow. Married women teachers are least likely to do extra, nonteaching work. All women teachers thus engaged declare that supplemental income is necessary to give themselves and their dependents an adequate standard of living.5

<sup>&#</sup>x27;In 1940 the median age of teachers was 34.0 years; in 1950 it was 41.2 years.

#### Questions to be answered about

## Pupil Insurance Programs

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BECAUSE the law requires a parent to send his child to school, does a district have the moral responsibility to indemnify the parent whose child is injured while participating in school activities, even though it may have no legal responsibility for so doing? As people appear to become more 'security minded" or "security conscious," many appear to feel that this question should be answered in the affirmative, and many boards have given the matter considerable attention. As a result, some school districts have decided to embark upon programs of pupil insurance; others have refused to do so, while still others are considering the matter.

This problem of the school district's setting up a program of pupil insurance is a relatively new one and, as yet, it has received virtually no treatment in the current literature. Superintendents, however, have shown a great deal of concern about it. Not long ago, at a meeting of the school and college division of the National Safety Council, one discussion group focused its attention upon this problem and, as a result, raised the following significant questions:

1. Is it legal for a school board or a school district to participate in such a program?

2. How are individual schools administering their insurance programs?

3. Can the administration of this program be turned over to some agency like the P.T.A.?

4. Should teachers be asked to collect premiums?

5. What types of policies are best suited to the pupils' needs?

6. Is it possible to obtain a policy covering the pupils for 24 hours a day and 12 months out of the year?

7. What has been the experience of those school districts that have embarked upon insurance programs for several years with respect to rates?

8. Should athletes be included in the general coverage, thereby increasing the rates for all, or should special policies be obtained for them?

9. What about the child whose family needs such insurance more than many others but does not have the money to pay for it?

10. Should, or can, the P.T.A. pay for those unable to pay for themselves?

The answers to these questions appear to be eagerly sought by those responsible for recommending and adopting school board policies. They will come only as the result of a comprehensive and detailed study of the problem—a study beyond the scope of a single magazine article. (A doctoral dissertation in this field is now in the planning stage.)

#### LEGAL ASPECTS OF PROGRAM

Fundamental to the consideration of the over-all problem of pupil insurance is the matter of the legal aspects of the program. As yet, no question growing out of the administration of a pupil insurance program has been before the courts. Consequently, no authoritative answers are available. In spite of this, I shall now attempt to consider the legal aspects of the problem and to isolate some of the issues involved which have legal implications, without attempting to prophesy how courts will rule if and when litigation ensues. I hope that the highlighting of these issues may furnish school administrators with some cues which they may use as guides in the determination of policies.

Before this matter is considered, however, it might be well to consider briefly how the insurance program appears to operate in most instances. A school board enters into an agreement with some insurance company whereby the company agrees to make available to all pupils that are desirous of obtaining the benefits, and willing

to pay the price, a group insurance policy covering injuries growing out of accidents, and the school, in turn, agrees to act as the company's agent in making available to its pupils the liability insurance.

The exact coverage provided differs, depending upon the nature of the policy the school selects and the particular company with which the school deals, although all policies are essentially similar in most respects. Likewise, the administration of the program differs in different schools. Generally, however, the school assumes the responsibility of disseminating the essential information concerning the insurance policy available as well as the application blanks. Teachers collect the application blanks from the pupils after they have been properly filled out and signed by the parents. They also collect the premiums, which are then turned over to the company by the school. All claims made by pupils against the company are, as a rule, filed through the principal's office.

Most superintendents appear to justify the school's administering of an insurance program on the basis of the fact that the school is rendering a public service. Of this there seems little doubt, but the question still remains, "Is there any legal authority to justify the school's including this program among its numerous activities?" After all, does the school have the authority to engage in any and all activities that may be considered as public services? For example, can a school district assume the responsibility for developing a program of medical care for its pupils? Can it provide financial relief for the families of those pupils who come from homes that are particularly needy? In each case it would be rendering a public service.

With reference to the authority of a school board, courts are in close agree-

ment that a district-consequently its board-is an agency of the most limited authority known to law. It has only those powers specifically granted to it by statute, those necessarily implied therefrom, and those that are essential to the performance of the functions for which the district was created. In light of this rule, can the power to put into operation an insurance program be considered to be within the legal authority of a school board? This, it appears, is the fundamental question-one that the courts, as yet, have not been called upon to answer.

It is highly improbable that any case is likely to arise, in the near future, in which the authority of a board to set up such a program will be questioned directly. It is difficult to imagine any situation in which someone would ask a court to issue an injunction to restrain a board from engaging in an insurance program. Therefore, it is believed that if, and when, the legality of the program is attacked, it will be done collaterally or indirectly. Some of the situations that could give rise to such an attack will now be considered. They will be considered in the hope that they may cause school administrators to reevaluate their policies and practices to the end that they may avoid difficulties wherever possible.

#### INDIRECT ATTACK

In the first place, it is not improbable that some teacher, somewhere, sometime, may bring an action against his school board asking the court to require the board to grant him extra pay for the time he spent in collecting insurance funds from pupils and in administering his part of the insurance program. After all, this is not unlikely where school boards already have rules requiring extra pay for extra services. Then the question will arise as to whether a board can legally use its funds for this purpose. This, of course, indirectly raises the question of the legality of the program.

Then, some day, some school board may prefer charges against a tenure teacher on the grounds of insubordination, and one of those charges will read somewhat as follows: "On . . . [a particular date] you refused to collect insurance premiums as required by a rule of the board of education." The teacher will demur, which will have the effect of admitting the truth of the charge but questioning the

board's authority to remove him on this ground. Then, again, the court will be faced with the question of ruling on the legality of the pupil insurance program.

Again, some parent may, sooner or later, go into court to question the right of a school board to pass a rule requiring every boy, if he wishes to play football, to take out such insurance. Is the board's rule discriminatory? Until the courts rule on the question the answer can only be surmised. If, and when, they are asked to do so, the whole question of the legality of the insurance program will be drawn into question.

#### COMPANY ACTION

Again, if, and when, some insurance company becomes antagonized because a particular board signed an insurance agreement with one of its competitors, the "fat will be in the fire." Will a court, when asked to rule upon the question of whether this board agted arbitrarily in this particular case, find it necessary to rule on the legality of the program? If so, how will it rule? Then, too, in some states where the law requires all who sell insurance to be licensed by the state, how will the courts rule if an action is brought against a teacher or teachers who purvey liability insurance to their pupils under orders of the school board, and by way of the classroom?

Finally, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that someone in charge of collecting insurance premiums from school children may "come up short" in his accounts, and the school board will call upon the company that furnished the bond covering such individual to "make up" the shortage. What if the bonding company refuses to do so on the ground that its agreement concerning the indemnification of the district is applicable solely to funds of the district? Are premiums collected by the teachers school district funds? If the court should hold that they are the funds of the insurance company rather than the district, might the company prevail in an action for recovery brought against the superintendent or the board members individually, on the ground they were negligent in not properly protecting such funds? Can the board spend its funds for a special bond covering loss of these funds? If a representative of the district who is responsible for collecting the funds from principals and for turning them over to the company is

held up and robbed, who stands the loss?\*

These are only some of the situations that could arise and some of the questions that courts may be called upon to answer. Anyone with a little imagination could "dream up" many others. At present, the program is so new and so nebulous answers to these questions can only be surmised.

I am not recommending that the program be discontinued. Whether it is discontinued is a question to be decided by each board that has seen fit to organize and approve such a program. It can only be assumed that individual boards will render their decisions in terms of what they think is best for the children. After all, there is nothing unusual about school boards taking actions that they deem necessary, even though the authority for so doing may be questionable, and continuing to operate on the basis of these policies until such time as a court rules on the matter.

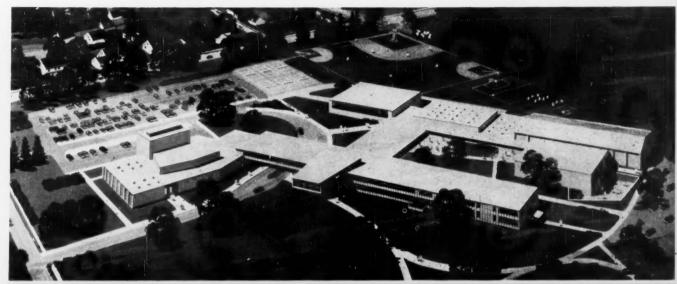
#### AVOIDING TROUBLE

In the meantime, if a board decides to sponsor or to continue to sponsor such a program, it should consider the questions raised and govern itself accordingly. If the assumption that no direct attack on the legality of the insurance program is likely to be made is sound, it might be that a school board would prefer that no collateral attack be made either. In that case, it might carefully consider the situations out of which collateral attacks could arise and develop policies and practices that will make it possible to avoid such situations as long as possible. For example, it might see to it that the insurance company provides bonds covering all those who handle insurance premiums. In other words, if a school board prefers that the question of legality not be raised, it would do well to anticipate those situations in which the question might arise and adopt policies and practices that would result in their avoidance.

As long as the legality of the insurance program is not clear, all schools engaging in such programs would do well to seek the advice of their solicitors or attorneys before taking any further steps and also regarding the steps already taken, if they have not previously done so.

<sup>\*</sup>At this writing I know of one school district that is faced with the problem of what to do about insurance funds that were stolen from the school safe.

## Schoolhouse Planning



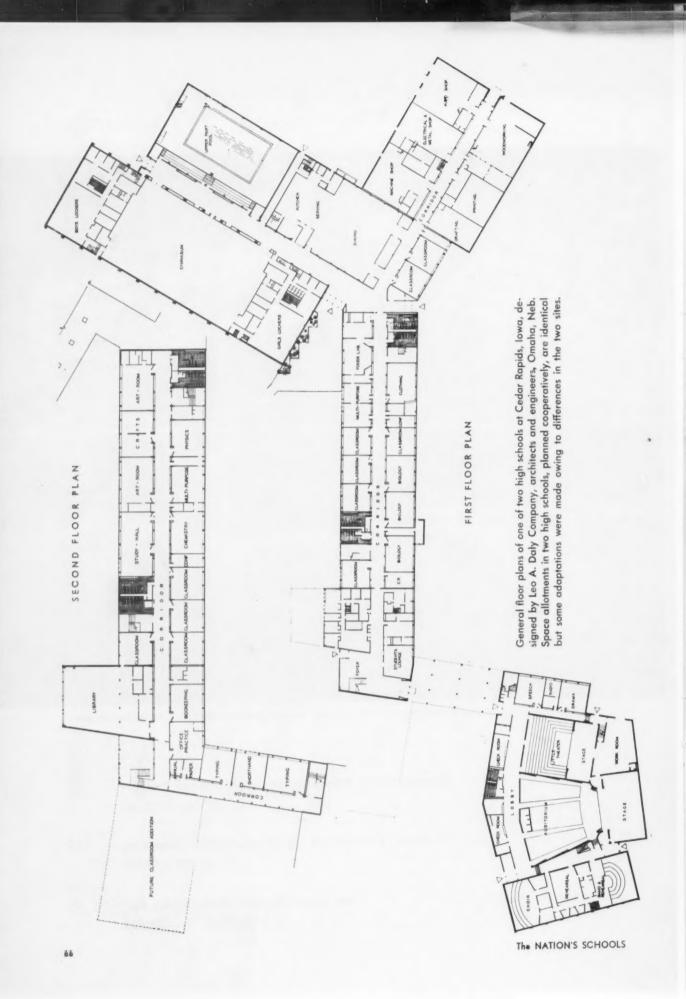


Architectural renderings of east side and west side high schools under construction in Cedar Rapids, Iowa

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# Cooperative Planning as an Approach to School Design

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THE challenge and opportunity presented to the architects in planning the two new high schools in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were unique. It was a challenge to meet educational specifications and an opportunity to use an approach to school building design that we have long advocated in designing other major buildings.

The cooperative planning approach involved working not only with the board of education and the superintendent, Clyde Parker, but also with the entire staff of the Cedar Rapids high schools and a large group of alert, informed people who made up the citizens planning committee.

#### CENTRAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

The central planning committee consisted of the four principals of the present high schools, the director of curriculum, the director of special services, and the superintendent, in addition to several members of the citizens committee. Under the central planning committee were area committees for special subject areas.

Members of these area committees were key teaching personnel, citizens and the supervisor of the special service in that particular area. Each area committee set up its requirements for the building and discussed them with the architect. These requirements were then taken into the central planning committee and approved, or, if there were any points of discussion, they were taken back to the area committee, threshed out, and then given final approval by the planning committee.

In working with each of the area committees, the architectural designer

first prepared a functional relationship or a "blob" sheet, as it was called. These blob sheets were used merely to denote space relationships within and between the various areas with little thought given to the size or shape of the room, the ceiling height, the materials used, or similar characteristics. The blob sheets were then translated into space requirements for each of the rooms and areas and a pencil or crayon sketch for each of the rooms was made.

Many people have difficulty visualizing exactly how a room will look from the preliminary drawings. The accompanying perspective drawings helped to give them some concept of what the finished room might look like as they were planning it. It is interesting to look back and see how closely some of the original sketches resemble the ones finally adopted.

In this way the requirements for each special area in the building were thought out separately by the area committee involved and then the various areas were fitted together into the whole building plan.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

The people of Cedar Rapids were interested primarily in a functional educational building. Along with a functional building, however, they also wanted an esthetic building. The two go hand in hand. Each special area in the building was planned with an eye to its esthetic qualities as well as its function.

This double planning process was carried on because of some doubt in the minds of both the committees and the architect concerning the old axiom that "a functional plan will always produce a beautiful building." It was the desire of the architect to design a building with a personality rather than a cold hard shell, and to get away completely from an "institutional" atmosphere.

Both of the Cedar Rapids buildings were designed for the same number of students, 1500. The individual units are identical, but it was not necessary for the buildings to look like twins. Rather, it was believed they should look like members of the same family. Thus, they are placed differently on the site and actually look like different schools

One of the specifications was that the various areas be separated as much as possible, so that those units with a high sound level would not disturb students in the classroom section. The planners did not want a separated plan which would mean that students would have to walk from building to building. They wanted the advantages of the campus school with its separation of units, but without the disadvantages of long outdoor travel. In winter the weather in Cedar Rapids is often very cold. They did want those high sound areas, such as the shops, the gymnasium, the cafeteria, and the auditorium, to be somewhat isolated from the main classroom section and from the

The foregoing requirement and the conditions prevailing on each of the two sites dictated the general layout of the buildings.

Also required was a drive-under or covered area under which cars and buses could be loaded and unloaded in inclement weather. To solve this problem, part of the classroom section of the building was designed as a "bridge" over the driveway and the upper level used for classrooms. This bridged-over section serves the purpose of separating the auditorium from the classroom section, and the corridor gives ready access to the auditorium wing.

Flexibility is probably the basic philosophy in the planning of the Cedar Rapids schools. The Cedar Rapids citizens and the architect feel that flexibility is the answer to future needs. A school building will serve for a much longer period if the building itself can be adjusted to fit the needs of a dynamic, changing curriculum. Thus, the buildings in Cedar Rapids are designed on a modular basis

so that interior walls may be moved whenever the need for curricular changes arises.

The ability to move interior walls at will is not the only criterion for flexibility. Plumbing, heating, electric and mechanical services in a building must also be designed in such manner as to ensure ease and economy in future changes. True flexibility is achieved only by giving attention to each little detail in the design of a building.

A structural module is a unit of measure and is not necessarily always the same. When it is necessary to put such large areas as shop, cafeteria, auditorium, gymnasium and other large masses into the same building along with the regular classrooms, it is not to be expected that areas fit into the same structural or modular pattern.

Often it is more economical to put large areas into separate sections, rather than to connect them and have columns and other structural members come at inconvenient places. In the classroom section a 4 foot module was used, while in gymnasium, cafeteria, shop and auditorium it was more economical to use modules better suited to such spaces. This also helped to determine the semi-detached character of the buildings.

The east side site of approximately 40 acres was level to gently rolling, with a number of fine old trees that were worth saving, and this helped determine the position of the building on the site. The planners agreed that several earlier buildings had been placed too close to the street and had lost attractiveness thereby. For the two new buildings, it was decided that

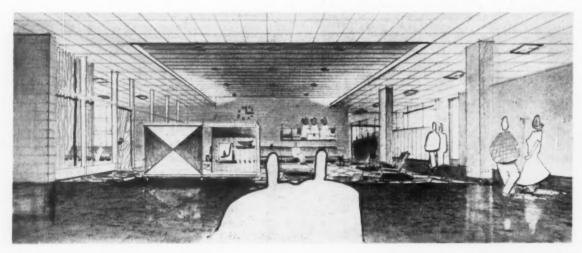
## Administration



School officials at Cedar Rapids felt quite strongly that the administrative area should be found easily by strangers entering the building. Offices should be near not only the main entrance but also the parking lot, as many parents and visitors drive to the school today. Another requirement was that the offices be close to the study hall and the library for counseling purposes.

Our administrators wanted privacy but did not want their offices to appear as a series of small cubbyholes. The solution: Partitions are glass above the 7 foot level, allowing light to enter but still giving the desired privacy.

The guidance counselors wanted to be near the main administrative office, but they needed a separate waiting room so the



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there should be an expanse of lawn in front, yet the buildings should not be so far away from the street that it would be inconvenient to reach them, particularly the auditorium and the gymnasium, which would be used more extensively by the public.

The 35 acre west side site was a rugged, barren field with an elevation of approximately 85 feet from the lowest to highest point. It was necessary to position the building differently to accommodate it to the slope of the land. Although the two buildings contain essentially the same facilities and were planned at the same time, their appearance is quite different. Each has been designed to blend into its site and surroundings.

Another factor affecting the position of the buildings on the site was the layout of the play facilities for each school. Cedar Rapids was quite conscious of the need to plan the entire play and recreational area at the time the buildings themselves were planned. The baseball and softball diamonds, the football practice field, the tennis courts, and the hard surfaced playfields were all included in the site planning program. As much thought and attention were given to detail in planning the environment around the buildings as was given to planning the buildings.

Space for automobile parking is a problem of the modern high school. In both schools, the auditorium and gymnasium are located at opposite ends of the classroom section, so it was agreed that parking facilities should be placed conveniently near each of those sections.

The completion date for both school buildings is May 1957. The work thus

far is progressing according to schedule, and no serious problem of shortage of materials is anticipated. The completion date will give the faculty and staff time to plan for the opening of the schools in September 1957.

The cost for the two new high schools will be \$6,500,999. This total includes development of site and playfields and landscaping, as well as the construction cost of the buildings themselves. The cost per square foot will be \$15.13 and the cost per cubic foot \$0.85.

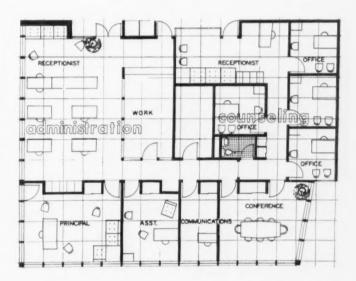
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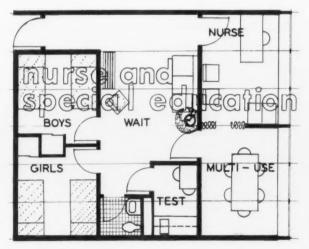
General	4,605,854
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Total	sq.	ft.	************	429,647
Total	cu.	ft.	************	7,655,717

students would not have to wait for guidance counselors in the main room. The counselors wanted to be close enough to the main office so that duplicate records would not have to be kept. They also wanted space to display vocational material in their own area.

Often teachers want their lounge located at some remote spot so that they can have privacy and can get away from students. In Cedar Rapids the teachers were quite vehement in their desire to have the teacher and student lounges located adjacent to each other and to the main circulation area off the lobby. They believe that this promotes better student-teacher relations. The two groups will share the kitchen facilities located between the two lounge areas.





## Health

We thought that the nurse's office and the health suite should be located adjacent to the administration area and need not be near the physical education department. Usually when a pupil becomes ill the first place he goes is to the office. The health suite has two isolation rooms, a conference room, a nurse's office, and a testing room.

## Academics

The academic teachers believed that a square classroom was a much more desirable shape for teaching than the long narrow classrooms so popular in the past. The basic classroom shape is 28 by 30 feet. When the space for shelving and cabinetwork is deducted this makes a square room 28 by 28 feet. This square shape also reduces the perimeter length of the building and thus is more economical.

The permanent cabinets located under the windows on the outside wall run the entire length of the building except for those laboratory rooms which need other types of cabinets. Interior walls can be moved on any of the 4 foot modules used in the classroom section without destruction of cabinet space and without rearrangement of cabinets. The cabinets provide the main block of storage space in each room.

It was found that each department in the academic area wanted and needed special cabinets to go along the corridor wall of the room. After much discussion it was agreed that combinations of three basic types of cabinets would meet all of the various requirements. These cabinets are completely movable and finished on all sides. They can be placed horizontally or stacked vertically or even placed in the center of the room and still retain an attractive appearance. All of the cabinets have removable bases and some have pegboard backs which, if the cabinets are placed in the center of the room, provide display space on the back. These cabinets were specially designed to meet the needs of the school staff.

The three types of cabinets have: (1) a sloping front which may serve as a magazine rack, (2) a solid front with adjustable shelves and an 18 inch shelf space, (3) a glass front with adjustable shelves and an 18 inch shelf space. All of the cabinets are adjustable and interchange-

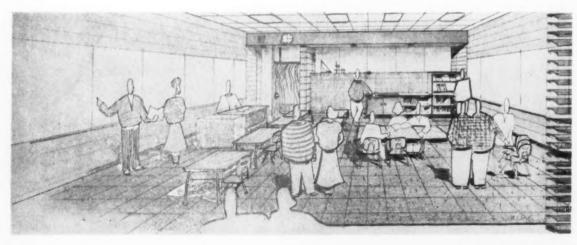
able. One big advantage of this type of cabinet is that additional cabinets can be made up on order at any time as they are needed and will match the original cabinets in the building.

Those teachers who do not have a permanently assigned room, the so-called "roving teachers," will use conference rooms in the academic section as headquarters so that they can be available to their students for counseling and discussion of their problems.

After some discussion, it was decided to use the corridor locker system, although there was some thought at first of going to a locker room or locker area system. The use of glass partitions above the lockers in the hall to borrow light from the classrooms into the corridors has a good effect. It serves to increase the apparent size of the hall-way and to allow it to become a pleasanter, more desirable place for students to make social contacts. Corridors and connecting passages should be more than mere traffic passageways. A trip down the hallway should be a series of interesting experiences rather than a tedious walk down a long narrow space lying between storage lockers.

In each of the academic classrooms, near the doorway, there is a vision and display area. This is a combination vision panel and display case. When empty, the display case has the appearance of a vision panel. It tends to give students as they pass through the hallway a chance to see the activity going on in the classrooms, and it also brings part of the environment from the classroom into the hallway.

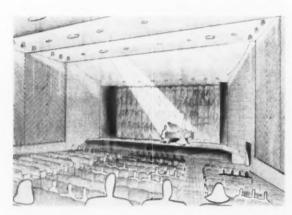
It is desirable in buildings the size of the Cedar Rapids high schools to cut down the horizontal travel of the students and faculty as much as possible. For this reason, and because of site limitations, it was decided that the classroom wing should be a two-story building.



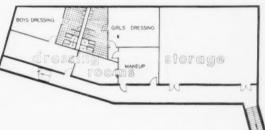
The art department started out as two complete areas, each containing an art classroom with its own separate crafts area. This was later modified to two general art rooms with a craft area between the two which can be used by both the art rooms or as an entirely separate area. Another important area is a small art display alcove located off the main hallway. This will be used for

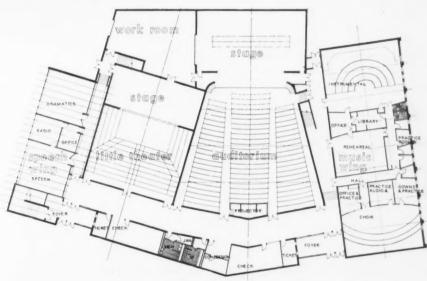
Art

traveling art displays and exhibits as well as for display of materials prepared by students in the art classrooms.









At first we thought the auditorium should seat all of the 1500 students in each high school at one time. After we considered the matter thoroughly, however, we decided it was better from an educational standpoint to have both an auditorium and a little theater—the auditorium to seat approximately half the student body, or 750, and the little theater to be used as a laboratory by the speech and dramatics department and for small community group meetings.

The stage in the large auditorium will be large enough to seat the 100 piece bands and orchestras of which Cedar Rapids is justly proud. Close by will be a shop in which props and materials needed for producing plays on the stage can be prepared. Sight lines had to be especially designed for both large groups, such as bands, and for small casts of dramatic productions.

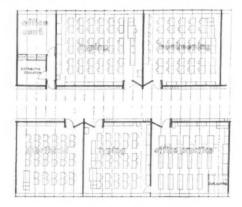
The little theater was designed not only for the pro-

scenium type of play but also for theater in the round and three-quarter round.

The speech department was set up in this same area so that it could make use of the little theater as a laboratory in conjunction with speech activities. There are two classrooms, each with a small portable stage, in this department.

It was considered desirable to provide a radio control room and sound system that could be connected to the local radio stations, making it possible for students to gain experience in announcing, production, script writing, and other phases of radio work. The system also can be connected to the school public address system to provide a closed-circuit radio hook-up in the building. All the necessary conduit and space will be provided. Provision also will be made for the future installation of television equipment. (Continued on Page 72)

## Business Education



Since the sound of typewriters and office machines in the business education section makes that section noisier than any of the academic rooms, it was decided that this section should be as remote as possible and still remain within the academic section. It was therefore located on the bridged-over part of the building leading from the academic section to the gymnasium. Each of the rooms in the business education section was especially treated for acoustics and sound transmission. There are two typing rooms, one large and one small; one shorthand room; one bookkeeping room, and one office practice room.

## Cafeteria





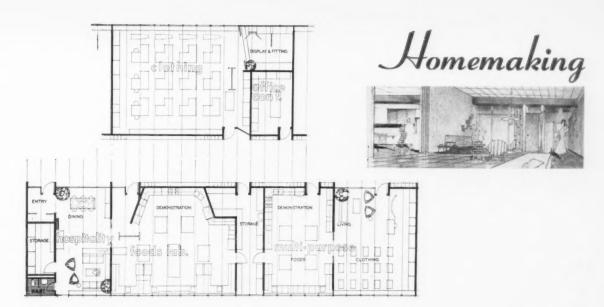
Requirements for the cafeteria in Cedar Rapids were that it should be a pleasant, well lighted place in which to eat and in which students could learn socially acceptable manners and make desirable social contacts. It should have multipurpose use: for school activities, for student activities, and for adult-student activities. There should also be storage space for a portable stage and space into which chairs and tables can be moved whenever the room is needed for dances or activities of that type. It should also have outside access and be able to be closed off from the rest of the building.

The kitchens in the Cedar Rapids schools are completely planned units set up to feed 1500 students in one and a half hours. The serving area is designed for the usual two-line operations and what is sometimes called an "open square plan." This is a newer trend in kitchen planning, one in which a given number of students comes

into the room at one time. They may choose whatever they want from a sandwich on up to a full meal without going through a serving line, go to the cashier, and pay for it.

There is also a "night kitchen," a complete small kitchen, separated from the large one, which can be used by the P.T.A. or small groups without disturbing the production line in the main kitchen. Too, there is a separate dining room for instructors and visitors aside from the main eating space for the students.

One of the most important items concerning a kitchen is a good service entrance and area, one that is convenient without being obtrusive. There are two service areas in each of the Cedar Rapids schools. One service area serves the cafeteria, the gymnasium, and the shop area, and the other serves the auditorium and the speech departments.



There were two requirements for the homemaking department: (1) that it be located adjacent to the cafeteria so that students could use the facilities of the cafeteria and kitchen when the need arose and (2) that it have an outside entrance or be close to an outside entrance so that adults can use it in the evenings. Rooms

in the homemaking area are a clothing room, a foods laboratory, and a hospitality room. The hospitality room is to be used for small teas and for demonstration purposes as a living area. There is also another room called a multi-use room, which can be used for clothing, foods or types and varieties of homemaking work.

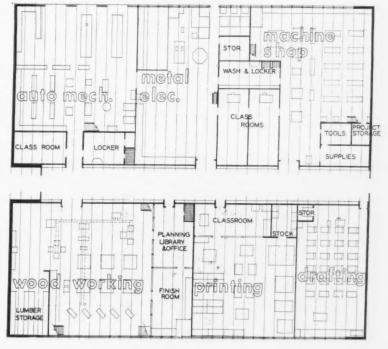
It was decided at the very outset that Cedar Rapids should have a complete shop program. Some discussion centered on whether the program should be a vocational one or an industrial arts program. It was decided, however, that if enough space were provided, the problem became an administrative problem rather than one of the space needed.

The shops provided were a printing shop, an electric shop, a drafting room, a metal and welding room, an auto shop, and a woodworking shop. The initial tendency in Cedar Rapids, as in many places, was to make the woodworking shop too large at the expense of the other shop areas. After a careful reappraisal of the values of the woodworking area, the space allotment was adjusted so that it was in line with that of the other shops.

Flexibility in the shop area is not just in the walls of the room itself. The electric service is brought in from above rather than through conduit laid in the floor. The mechanical services are also designed to allow for extreme flexibility. Machinery and equipment can be moved as needs change rather than having the location determined by the location

of floor outlets and other factors. Service to the shop area is also flexible. Overhead doors allow large pieces of equipment and supplies to be brought in, and trucks can drive into the shop area. (Cont. on Page 74)

Shops

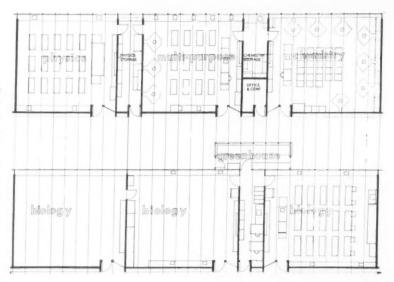


## Science

At first we thought it desirable to have all of the rooms in one department, such as English or science, together. On closer examination, however, we decided that it would be more feasible to place all of the science rooms together and all of the special laboratory rooms together but that no effort should be made to group the mathematics, English and other academic classrooms. The schedule in these academic rooms thus becomes an administrative problem.

In a flexible building such as the ones in Cedar Rapids, putting all of the laboratory rooms which require special plumbing and other services together with general classrooms on either side of them allows the science rooms to be expanded by moving the walls. In the future additional academic classrooms may be added on at the end of the building and still all of the specialized departments can be kept together.

At first we planned for three



biology, two chemistry, and two physics rooms. After further study we found that one physics room could be modified so that it could become a multipurpose or a multi-use room and thus be used for any of the three subjects. In all of the science rooms we found that by using the newer perimeter laboratory tables, with lecture type of chairs in the center of the room, it was possible to reduce the size of the room and yet retain all of the features of the larger, older type of room arrangement.

Primarily because of the need of a greenhouse for biology, the science rooms were located together on the first floor.

## Music

Cedar Rapids is quite proud of its music department and its extensive music program. It has large bands, orchestras and choruses. Naturally the music department was located in close proximity to the stage. Some thought was given to the need for two instrumental rehearsal rooms and two large chorus rehearsal rooms in addition to the practice rooms,

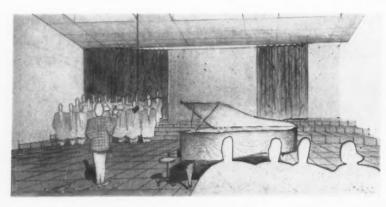
music library, and offices. In a discussion of scheduling and the use of the rooms, it was found that it was possible to cut the requirements to one instrumental rehearsal room and one choral rehearsal room without any loss to the efficiency of the department.

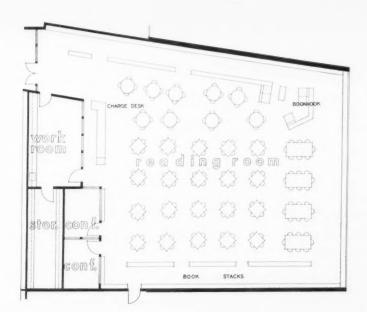
One unusual feature of the music department is that the choral and

vocal department wanted four rooms to rehearse the four-voice parts in the choir. It was finally decided that the three small practice rooms in addition to the main rehearsal room would be adequate for this purpose. Two classrooms were provided for classes in appreciation, theory and harmony.

The music teachers did not want natural light in the rehearsal rooms. It is difficult to seat all the members of bands and orchestras so that natural light coming in a window will not create glare and be a disturbing factor. Artificial light could be better controlled and better used in these rooms, we decided. Small windows were used which allow better control of the outside light.

It is often difficult to adjust the acoustics in music rooms so that the music sounds natural. Too much acoustical control material often results in a "dead" room while too little results in a distorted tone quality. The Cedar Rapids music rooms were designed for specific reverberation times and with the number of people that will normally occupy the rooms in mind.





## Library

The Cedar Rapids committee believed that the library was the most important area in the high school program and that it should receive first consideration. This was in line with the architect's thinking in terms of design and helped to determine the position in the building and to achieve the separated building masses. The functional relation or blob sheet, worked out by the designer, shows the main reading room opening off the corridor with conference rooms opening off the reading room, but not off the main corridor. It was felt that these conference rooms should be free of corridor noise and the interference caused by students stopping in as they passed by, interrupting the work of those using the rooms. The blob sheet also shows the location of the audio-visual room, the office, the workroom, the conference rooms, and the relation of each to the others.

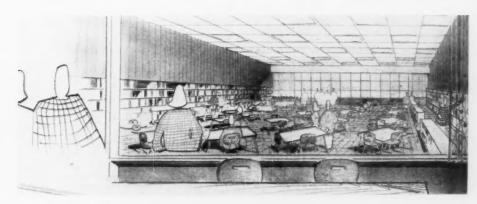
Another of the requirements for the library was that all of the approximately 10,000 books which would eventually be needed in the library be in open shelves around the walls so that they could be readily available to students using the room. Thus it was necessary to plan a room with as much wall area as possible. Yet

there should also be a window area, both for its psychological effect and for another quite important reason, that those who are reading should be able to look out a window and away for some distance to rest the eye for a moment and then return to the close work of reading again. However, it was determined that the library could be better lit with artificial than with natural light.

To acquire as much wall area as possible for housing the books, and in keeping with the importance of the library, an unusual shape was needed to contrast with the consistent rectilinear shape of the regular classroom area. The two side walls of the library room were splayed out rather than paralleled, and the end wall was made into a window wall.

A second floor location close to the study hall and to the administration area seemed desirable for the library.

The designer, working quickly, often had a sketch of an idea such as this one of the library within a short time. The committee could then approve or make further revisions and go on to other problems in its planning requirements.



## Physical Education

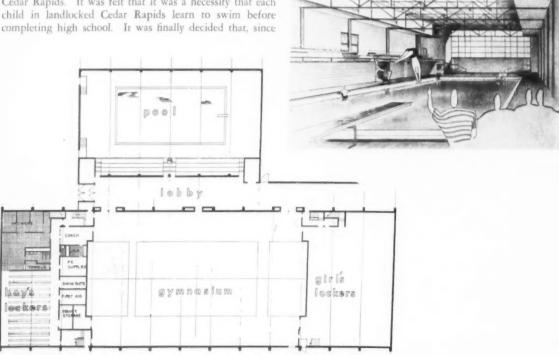
Physical education was considered to be of vital importance to the planning of an educational program by the Cedar Rapids staff and the planning committee. It was decided at the very outset that a minimum of five teaching stations was necessary to provide for the Cedar Rapids physical education program. It was also felt that it was not necessary to go into an extensive interscholastic spectator sport program to the detriment of the physical education and recreational program for all of the students and the community. Consequently, the seating space for spectators in the large gymnasium was limited to 2500 seats of the rollaway bleacher type. Storage room for the various pieces of gymnasium equipment necessary to carry on a good teaching and recreation program was provided. Two motorized folding doors were used to divide the large gymnasium into three teaching stations.

Another teaching station was provided by use of the area over the boys' locker rooms adjacent to the large gymnasium where various corrective exercises and games, such as wrestling, could be played. Bleacher seats were provided for use during the larger basketball games. These seats, however, are included in the total of 2500 seats. All spaces and circulation within the gymnasium were so designed that both boys and girls could use the space.

There was some debate concerning the need for a swimning pool in connection with each of the high schools in Cedar Rapids. It was felt that it was a necessity that each child in landlocked Cedar Rapids learn to swim before completing high school. It was finally decided that since

swimming was a desirable part of the physical education program, a pool should be part of each building. Another factor which helped decide the issue was that Cedar Rapids is located in an area where the summers are comparatively short and the public facilities for outdoor swimming are limited. At first it was thought the pool should be an indoor-outdoor type which could be opened to the outside for summer. After considering the problems of operation and the initial cost of this type of pool, we decided to have an indoor pool with direct access to the outside, and with one glass wall to admit light and sun. A dark gray tinted glass was used in the wall of the swimming pool room to control the glare.

Although the swimming pool meets the minimum size requirements for competitive swimming events, spectator seating will be kept to a maximum of 250 seats, enough for parents or friends but not enough to allow the sport to be overemphasized. This same point of view was prevalent in all of the planning procedure. The people of Cedar Rapids want functional buildings to meet their needs for educational facilities and for the needs of the community, but not monuments or show places or to overemphasize any one aspect of the educational program.



## Cooperative Planning Convinces Citizens

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IN 1952 the board of education, an architectural firm, and I developed plans for two new senior high schools. A bond election was called for Sept. 29, 1952. The amount of money to be voted on was \$7.5 million, which was to build two senior high schools and some elementary buildings as well.

After public presentation was made to the citizens of the school district, the election was held, but it lost by an

overwhelming majority.

After the bond election had failed. it was apparent that some other idea had to be worked out to convince the people of the urgent need for new senior high schools in Cedar Rapids. A number of leaders in the community were called in, and their advice was sought. A citizens committee was discussed as a possibility. The board of education was skeptical, but was willing to try anything that would really work. Finally, the board called a group together for preliminary discussions. I was then assigned the task of working out a plan.

My staff and I recommended to the board the following plan to get together a representative group of citi-

zens:

1. One person to be selected from each elementary school unit in the district. The selection would be made by the principal of the school and P.T.A. officers. The person chosen might or might not be a member of the P.T.A. Since there were 16 elementary schools, this method would provide 16 representatives.

2. One representative from each of a selected number of clubs and organizations in the community. Each club or organization was to be notified by letter about the plan and was urged to select its representative by a method devised by the club or organization.

A list of the original clubs or organizations follows: Chamber of Commerce, Cedar Rapids Open Forum, Memorial Commission, League of Women Voters, Camp Fire Girls, Junior League, Young Men's Bureau, Council of Church Women, Ministerial Association, American Legion, Women's Club, C.I.O. Council, City Plan Commission, Inter-Service Club Council, Boy Scouts of America, Playground & Recreation Commission, American Federation of Teachers, American Association of University Women, American Federation of Labor, Parent-Teacher Association, Cedar Rapids Education Association, and the South Side Civic Club.

This plan was presented to the board and was immediately adopted. The first few meetings of the committee were presided over by the president of the board, and the general ideas of the group were explored. It was discovered that there was much misunderstanding of the needs of the schools in the community. It was obvious that the group would have to start right at the beginning and study the problem. This would mean checking and verifying the charts and tables and all materials previously presented to the public.

#### COMMITTEE'S PURPOSES

The board felt that the committee's purposes should be stated in clear terms so that the representatives would understand what was expected of them. As stated to the committee, they were:

1. To become familiar with the educational program of the Cedar

Rapids public schools.

2. To become familiar with the building needs of the Cedar Rapids public schools.

3. To study the building proposals submitted to them by the board of education to meet the needs of the Cedar Rapids public schools.

4. To help disseminate information and facts to the citizens at the grass

By the third meeting, it was evident that the group was willing to assume responsibility in helping the board with its building problem. It was then decided that the group should become an organization and elect officers. In subsequent meetings the citizens committee decided that there should be a \$3.75 million bond election for elementary schools. This was sponsored successfully by the com-

The citizens committee decided to develop its organization still further. Subcommittees were appointed, and an instrument of organization was drawn up and adopted.

After the organization had adopted

a constitution and by-laws, it began a study of the senior high school problem. It was proposed that two senior high school buildings be built, that the present four six-year high school buildings be used as junior high schools, and that the campaign for a bond election should be timed for

This bold idea scared the wits out of the board of education and the administrative staff. Nevertheless, the board and staff approved the idea, and things began to happen. The citizens committee adopted a calendar of events and began work to publicize the needs of the schools. My staff and I helped outline speeches for citizens committee members and helped write articles for newspapers and scripts for radio and television. This, of course, became a strenuous job for the school people. During the month of May 1954 we did nothing except furnish information and service to the citizens committee members.

#### SIGNIFICANT POINTS

The successful vote, though a close one, was the primary conclusion of the efforts of many people. There were many significant points which one should not overlook in such a venture. Some of them may be summarized as

1. An attempt to vote \$6 million worth of bonds in a community like Cedar Rapids should not be undertaken unless a representative citizens committee has studied the problem carefully and has approved it, not only

verbally but by an active program of promotion. As the election was carried by a bare 60 per cent majority, the proposition would not have carried without the citizens' full support.

2. It will always be difficult to convince voters that they need buildings for school purposes. In Cedar Rapids, the proposition was certainly publicized in about every conceivable way, and still it barely carried. With less effort such a campaign would certainly fail

3. The public is more likely to accept the promotion of a bond campaign from a representative lay committee than it is to accept it from school administrators and even the board of education. This thesis is substantiated by the fact that the first campaign failed when the administration and the board promoted it. There was little argument during the campaign sponsored by the citizens committee, but there was considerable argument during the first campaign.

4. The citizens committee members learned a great deal about the schools during this experience. This was an excellent by-product. These people now feel that the senior high school program is theirs. They feel a responsibility for it. They want the best possible solution to the problem. Public relations is at a high level.

#### SELECTING AN ARCHITECT

How was the architect selected?

Questionnaires were mailed to 80 architectural firms throughout the country; the firms were asked to fill in and return the questionnaire if they were interested in the project. About 50 questionnaires were returned.

The board of education and I narrowed the field to 12 firms. Through another process of elimination the group was reduced to three firms. Buildings designed by each of these three firms were visited and thoroughly inspected, not with the thought that Cedar Rapids wanted a building like any of those visited but to see the kind of construction and the quality of work produced by each of the firms.

Each of the three remaining architectural firms was asked to bring any of their employes, designers or representatives to a meeting of the board of education and explain or tell anything they chose about their organization, the work they did, or anything they felt might be of interest to the board. Each group was asked to come to a different evening meeting and was

allowed as much time as it wanted to use.

The Leo A. Daly Company of Omaha, Neb., was selected by the board to design these two high school buildings because it was extremely interested in the cooperative planning approach Cedar Rapids wanted to use.

How was the building planning program developed?

From the very beginning, there was no question but that the planning of the Cedar Rapids high schools must be a cooperative planning process which would involve interested people from every segment of the population, the faculty, the board of education, the pupils, and parents. Virtually every area of civic life was represented in the 125 member citizens committee. Since the citizens committee was already active in Cedar Rapids, and had helped plan the elementary program, it was only natural that it should be a vital part of the planning process for the high schools.

#### FACULTY HELPED PLAN

How was the faculty used in the planning process?

Meetings were held with every department of the Cedar Rapids high schools, and each department or subject matter group outlined orally the teaching and building requirements of that department, the amount of space required, the location of this space in relation to other departments and administration, the traffic flow, any acoustical or other special requirements it might need, and any unusual or individual needs it might have. These oral reports were written down and supplemented with other written materials.

How was the citizens committee used in the planning program?

The citizens committee held regular meetings at which the various reports of the departments were discussed and the problem was thought through by the entire group. In this way every school department, the citizens committee, and all who were concerned with the buildings were made aware of the total problem and the manner in which each area and department had to mesh with other areas and departments to solve their problems.

What part did the architect play in the planning procedure?

Usually, when building a school, the architect is given a set of educational requirements or specifications and is asked to set up a building solution based upon these requirements. In our case the architectural designer was brought into the planning stages. He met with the planning committees and with the citizens committee. As each department and area was discussed, the designer gave counsel on whether these plans were practical from a design and structural point of view.

How long did the planning program take?

The preliminary planning stage with the architect and the committees took about six months. Thirty days were allowed for contractors to prepare their bids on the projects; bids were read at a meeting on Aug. 18, 1955. Thus it took just about one year from the time the architect was selected until the plans were complete and the contractor was ready to begin construction.

When the bids for the buildings were opened there was a difference of more than \$1 million between the original estimate and the actual cost. There were two possible solutions to the problem. Either something could be taken out of the buildings, such as the auditorium wing, or additional funds would be needed to construct the buildings as they were planned.

#### VOTERS DECIDED

The board of education pondered the situation thoroughly and, wisely, came to the decision that, as the planning process had involved every segment of the population and the buildings truly represented the best thinking of the people, the people should decide whether they wanted to pay the increased amount necessary or leave out, at least for the present, some part of the facilities they had planned.

The board of education called a special election and put it squarely to the voters. The citizens committee again accepted the challenge of presenting the facts to the people, and the result was an overwhelming majority in favor of erecting the buildings as they were planned. The vote in favor of the extra levy was almost 8 to 1.

The type of building planning that produced these two new high schools is just the approach that is needed in Cedar Rapids. The teachers, parents, pupils and community have planned these buildings. They are ideally suited to the needs of the community in which they will be located.

## How High Should the Doorknob Be?

Custom and tradition often blunder in determining the physical facilities of the classroom. Too often the environment for children is designed for adults.

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WHAT determines the shape, size, location and spacing of physical facilities in the classroom? How high should a chair be? A desk? How wide should a desk be? A corridor? What should the dimensions of a classroom be? How high from the floor should a doorknob be?

These are questions that seem inconsequential to the sophisticated administrator properly concentrating his attention on the intellectual aspects of the educational program. But it is well known that the social and intellectual environment of a group of human beings is greatly influenced by the physical characteristics of the environment—not only matters of light, heat, temperature and humidity but the convenience of the physical things that people use in accomplishing assorted human tasks.

Such questions as the foregoing may be frequently asked when physical facilities are provided for boys and girls in schools, but certain conventions become established through custom and tradition — somebody conceived of a classroom of a certain size and shape, of a school desk of a certain size and shape. Through a process of cultural diffusion—one group copying from another—a model type develops. There have indeed been rational grounds for some of the so-called "standards" which are used for the dimensional features of classrooms. Yet, in the main, these things have been established much as styles for automobiles, clothing and housing were established.

There are two ways in which research, only within recent years, has changed this "cultural evolution" basis for classroom design. One of these is basic research which has come about in

ACCEPTABLE DOOR KNOB HEIGHTS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN BY GRADE LEVEL BASED UPON ANTHROPOMETRIC MEASURES

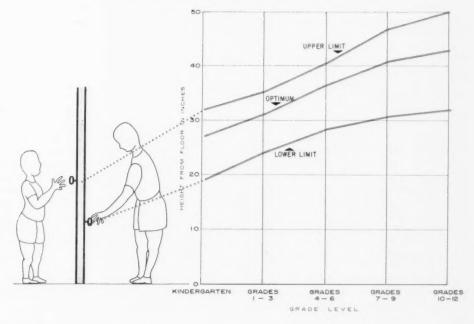


Table 1 — Average Ratios of Critical Limits for Doorknob Heights to Standing Heights of School Children, Expressed as per Cents, Five Grade Levels

	Percentage Doorknob Height of					Stature	
Grade Level		Lower Limit*	Optimum'	Upper Limit'			
Kind	erg	arten		38	58	78	
1	to	3		39	61	80	
4	to	6		40	62	81	
7	to	9		40	63	82	
10	to	12		40	63	82	

"Hand height in easy forward bend as per cent of stature.

"Elbow height in standing position as per cent of stature.

Shoulder height as per cent of stature.

Table 2 — Acceptable Doorknob Heights for School Children by Grade Level Based Upon Anthropometric Measures

Unight From Floor

	,	in Inches		
Grade Level	Lower Limit*	Optimum <sup>b</sup>	Upper	
Kindergarten	19	27	32	
1 to 3	24	31	35	
4 to 6	28	36	40	
7 to 9	30	40	46	
10 to 12	31	42	49	

"Ninety-fifth percentile of measurement of hand height in easy

forward bend of highest grade in group.

Fifth percentile of shoulder height of lowest grade in group.

response to a desire for a rational justification for many decisions. Another has been the trend away from uniformity in planning facilities for schools toward purposeful designing of these facilities to fit the characteristics of a community and the specific educational and curricular needs of teachers, pupils and others who are to use these facilities. This leads to doorknobs.

It seems silly to write of doorknobs. A doorknob seems too unrelated to pupil achievement, to pupil adjustment, or to any intellectual behavior of a pupil. I take doorknobs because this example illustrates how a little research will justify an entirely different perception of a physical dimension in a classroom or in a school. A research attack on such problems starts with the human being and his social, biological and pyschological needs as they relate to some aspect of his physical environment.

The doorknob is not an ornament. It has a clear purpose. Its function is to permit the individual to open and close the door. A physical job analysis of the operation of the individual in using the doorknob is quite simple. The use of a desk or work counter or a bookshelf can be considerably more complex but even the doorknob needs analysis. Specifically, we will consider the question: How high should it be from the floor? A research approach to this problem may be defined by the question: In terms of how the doorknob is used, how will it be placed on the door so as to facilitate the operation of closing and opening the door by the human individual?

I suppose that architects, school superintendents, and others have thought of this—or perhaps by trial and error carpenters and contractors have established what seems to be about an acceptable height of a doorknob from the bottom of the door, because measurements of many, many doorknobs in schools, in office buildings, and in homes show that they generally seem to be somewhere between 32 inches and 37 or 38 inches from the floor.

When doorknobs are placed in the schools the problem is complicated by the fact that many different individuals of many different body measurements use the doorknobs. It seems reasonable that doorknobs in a high school, to be most convenient for high school students, in general would not be located at the same distance from the floor as doorknobs in a kindergarten, if also they are to be located at optimal distances from the floor for kindergarten usage. But even so, there is a great variation in the physical dimensions of boys and girls within each grade level so that few kindergarten children are of the same height as few 12th grade children are of the same height.

A little experimentation will show that if a human being exerts a "pulling force" with one hand from a standing position, the best position for the obstacle to be pulled is just about elbow height. This is approximately at waist level. Also, the effort is increased as the object is raised above the waist level, but, if a great pulling force is not required, it is not intolerable up to about shoulder level. Simple principles of physics concerning the lever applied to the construction of the human body will show why pulling from a standing position an object which is above the shoulder becomes increasingly difficult as the height above the shoulder is increased. An upper limit for any individual for reasonable convenience, therefore, might be shoulder height from the floor. On the other extreme, the ability of the human being to pull an object is increased up to a certain point if the object is placed below waist height, as the best position for pulling is one that involves a slight crouch of the body. This places the elbow at a level somewhat below waist height. However, we shall assume that it is not desirable to stoop or crouch to open a door even though a somewhat greater force may be applied from that position.

It seems obvious that the most serious error in the location of a door-knob then (particularly in elementary schools) is to place it too high. It is easier for a teacher to stoop a little to open a door than for each of 20 or 25 children to reach up to open a door, particularly if doors are equipped with mechanical door checks of the hydraulic or pneumatic variety which require considerable force.

It is possible to study reasonable limits of doorknob heights from studies which have been made of anthropometric measurements of school children. The most complete of these has recently been published by the National School Service Institute\* in cooperation with the U.S. Office of Education and the University of Michigan. Unfortunately, there has never been a good national sampling of school children measured in this way. Moreover, it has been observed that in different regions of the country, and among different ethnic groups, physical dimen-

Average elbow height in standing position of group.

<sup>\*</sup>Martin, W. Edgar: The Functional Body Measurements of School Age Children, Chicago, National School Service Institute, 1954, p. 90.

sions of school children vary greatly. However, among groups of school children of comparable age, the ratio of body measurements to stature (i.e. the standing height) is reasonably constant. This means that any school or community may examine its health records which always show heights, ages and grades of children and apply ratios to determine strategic body dimensions for various groups when physical facilities are planned.

For example, in Table 1, the percentages for children at different grade levels may be used to determine the upper and lower limits for heights of drawer pulls or doorknobs. These percentages are almost constant from the fourth grade up, but below that the proportions of the human body are quite different, and the limits are hence different proportions of stature.

#### UPPER AND LOWER LIMITS

In this table we define the lower limit as the *hand height* in easy forward bend. The upper limit is *shoulder height*. The optimum is *elbow height* from a standing position. Thus, a kindergarten youngster 46 inches tall on the average would be able conveniently to reach a doorknob not lower than 38 per cent of 46 inches (*i.e.* 17.5 inches) and not higher than 78 per cent of 46 inches (*i.e.* 36 inches). The optimum height would be 58 per cent of 46 inches, which is approximately 27 inches.

The problem is to take into account the fact that there is a 10 inch or 15 inch variation in the optimum heights for doorknobs within given grades. It is impossible to plan for any great future period the exact grade level which will be assigned to a classroom so that dimensional characteristics of school buildings must generally be designed for groups of grade levels, such as primary, intermediate, junior high, senior high, so that the variations in stature of children may be expected to range even as high as 20 inches.

In an elementary school what seems to be needed, therefore, is a standard for such things as doorknob heights which will be a "tolerance band" such that the height of the object will be (1) below a minimum for only a few of the tallest children in the highest grade, and (2) higher than a reasonable limit for only a few of the shorter children in the lowest grade. There seems no justification for using a mean, a median, or some other aver-

age as a "standard." For instance, standards have been established for doorknob heights at 36 inches. For the convenience of design, the placing of glass and panels, and other appurtenances and hardware, it might be necessary to depart from this average. In any event, a study of the physical task of pulling open or pushing shut a door shows that there is a difference between variations above optimum height and variations below so that an average is not a good standard. Therefore, upper and lower limits for an acceptable range of locations seem to be a much more practical guide in establishing specifications for the structure.

If the data from the study by Martin are used, lower and upper limits for various grade levels may be established. These appear in Table 2. In each case the lower limit is taken for doorknob heights such that only approximately 5 per cent of the pupils in the highest grade (consisting of the oldest and tallest children) would need to stoop, that is, to reach the doorknob in a position lower than hand height in an easy forward bend. This is approximately the 95 percentile of hand height in easy forward bend in the highest grade for the group



Not bad but not good. The doorknob should be at elbow height.

shown. The optimum figures are the average elbow heights of children in standing position for the grade level shown. The upper limit is that point at which only 5 per cent of the children in the lowest grade (the shorter children) would have to reach above shoulder height. This is the fifth percentile of the anthropometric measure, shoulder height, of children in the lowest grade of the group shown.

#### ERROR TO GUARD AGAINST

The results shown in Table 2 are of interest. Note that a standard height of 36 inches is within the tolerance limits for all groups above the third grade. Thus, the commonest standard for doorknob height would be acceptable. However, a better doorknob height for high schools would be 4 to 6 inches higher than this. Moreover, considerable variation from the "optimum" seems acceptable. In the intermediate grades, Grades 4 to 6 inclusive, doorknob heights between 28 inches and 40 inches may be justified if the stature and physical characteristics of the school population to be served are similar to those of the children studied by Martin. Modifications necessary in these limits may be computed by the use of actual measurements of school children and the percentages shown in Table 1.

The data in Table 2 show that the most serious error to guard against in locating doorknobs is excessive heights for the little children in the kindergarten and primary grades. Too often the curriculums, the standards of behavior, and the physical characteristics of the environment for little children are designed by adults as perceived by adults. Little children need doorknobs properly placed for little children.

This analysis may seem to be an elaboration of a simple problem. The purpose of the simple example is to illustrate the point that physical features of the school may be adapted to the human organism and its needs through:

- Job analysis of the physical tasks of human beings.
- 2. Consideration of physical dimensions of human beings in relation to accomplishing the physical task.
- 3. Statistical technics which take into account the variability of physical dimensions of human beings.
- 4. Standards as flexible as the variation in human physical characteristics will permit.

## Chalk Dust FREDERICK JAMES MOFFITT



Frederick R. Stevens (left), president of the Sons of the American Revolution, pins on Mr. Chalk Dust's lapel a medal awarded to him by that group for his outstanding contribution to the teaching of American history in the public schools.

#### MAY

(Adapted from an ancient, optimistic May Day song)

Good morning, lads and lassies, it is the first of May;

'Tis time your next year's budget is sent upon its way.

So do your daily push-ups and try to jam it through,

And when the day of judgment comes, your Board will honor

Good morning, lads and lassies, it's a merry time and gay;

To beck with buds and budgets it is the first of May.

#### THE ANIMALS' SCHOOL

FACED BY too few buildings and too many children, many school administrators today will probably find a lot of sense in the old fable attributed to Aesop or one of his later collaborators. The allegory tells about a colony of Busy Bees who wanted to improve their education. They thereupon fired their school superintendent, who was a wise old owl, and persuaded a neighboring principal, a sly young fox, to take the job.

For a few months everything was honey and clover, and there was a great hum of satisfaction. But the Bees, as Bees do, continued to provide so many sons and daughters that the Fox felt he had to have some bigger and better hives to carry on his work. When, however, he proposed a new building program, a number of the sons of Bees began to buzz angrily

and at length, sadly stung, the impetuous Fox was driven out of the community with his tail between his legs. As he slunk away, he was heard to murmur "No matter how much honey there seems to be, there are always enough sons of Bees around to make the life of a school superintendent uncomfortable."

The moral of this tale is probably To Bee or Not To Bee.

#### ALICE IN WONDERLAND

The Socializing Skills

"IN OUR FURTHER STUDY of pedagogery," said the White Knight to Alice, "perhaps you would like to attend a faculty meeting."

"Would it be helpful and interesting?" asked Alice.

Ignoring the first part of the question, the White Knight merely remarked sourly, "Faculty meetings are like the shepherd's pies in the cafeteria—some are interesting, but rarely."

As Alice entered the faculty meeting, she gasped at the physical cruelty being practiced on the inmates. Teachers everywhere were stacked in classroom seats which obviously didn't hold what they were not built to hold. There was a curious air of boredom, anticipation, belligerence and pacifism which Alice learned later was the general reaction to all faculty meetings.

The superintendent spoke. "The school is being grievously attacked by forces of disaster," he said. "In order to survive, we must preplan and re-

implement the communicative arts commonly known as the socializing language skills."

"What on earth are the communicative arts?" asked Alice, sotto voce.

"He means the three R's," said the Mad Hatter chuckling. "At the present instance in civilization they consist mostly of listening to George Gobel or the \$64,000 question; of writing mean letters to the editor or the superintendent, and reading long, involved mathematical explanations from a book dealing with the Goren system of bidding in contract bridge."

Alice was completely confused. "What's the matter with the three R's?" she demanded.

"Some pedagogues have substituted crossword puzzles for Latin," quoth the White Knight cryptically, "and have bumped off the three R's for an integrated approach to the whole child."

At his whisper of the "whole child," the teachers rose and sang the school Alma Mater while the superintendent called for a moment of silent tribute. The silence was broken only by the disintegration of several tired chairs, which collapsed simultaneously.

A teacher arose. "What we need is more hours in Child Development," she said.

The superintendent, who had been looking more and more harassed, began to look more and more harassed.

"The poor fellow knows nothing about Child Development," whispered the White Knight. "He has six chil-



dren and no time or money for extra courses."

"I move we investigate the communicative arts, the whole child, and adjourn sine die," said the executive assistant, wrapping it up.

"It sounds sensible to investigate the three R's," said Alice as they yawned their way homeward.

"Inasmuch as they have been under continuous investigation for the last 50 years," said the White Knight, "I guess another investigation won't seriously impede them."

### Mr. Erickson Goes to Denver

Convention of elementary school principals seen through the eyes of—logically—an elementary school principal

A visit with NORMAN K. ERICKSON
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WHEN Norman K. Erickson goes to a convention he hopes to find, among other things, inspiration—from the main speakers—comfort—from learning that others have about the same problems—and help—from experts in various fields and from those who have solved similar problems.

He found all three at the annual meeting of the Department of Elementary School Principals in Denver March 7 to 10.

Mr. Erickson hastens to point out that he is not "the typical principal." Probably any one of the other 2000 persons who attended the convention would say the same thing, with equal truth

This is Mr. Erickson's first year as principal of South School, Glencoe, Ill., and so this was the first national principals' convention he has attended. But there have been other conventions—on a smaller scale—this school year and in the past, when he was a classroom teacher.

Inspiration at Denver came from Dean Laurence D. Haskew of the University of Texas College of Education. Mr. Erickson agreed with the speaker that his ideas are "unorthodox." That's one reason he liked them.

Dean Haskew said firmly that the elementary principal "manages to turn in a very respectable performance by carefully selecting some major emphases for himself, by relying upon others for star performances also, and by sadly but firmly refusing to give himself ulcers because he is not the paragon that professors of school administration imply he should be."

The part the principal plays in instructional improvement is only one of the parts he must take, Dr. Haskew said. He has other rôles—in community relations, in school management, in parent cultivation, in pupil guidance and control, and in numerous other areas.

"The principal is only one person; he can stretch only so far. It may be quite true that the rôle as director of community relations is so important and so time consuming as well as so uniquely a personal province of the principal that the rôle as instructional leader simply has to be relegated to minor status. The demands of some rôles are very real, very immediate, and no amount of wishful thinking will enable the principal to disregard them."

The Texas dean pointed out that the principal's rôle is "actually written in large part by the structure and operation of the school system in which he serves. It's nice for him to know what it would be good to do, but the pay-off comes from what he is given the chance to accomplish. While the principal may work to modify structure and change operations, he functions within their realities, whatever they may be."

#### PRINCIPAL'S SUB-ROLES

Dr. Haskew gave a list—necessarily abbreviated and deliberately incomplete—of types of sub-rôles played by successful principals in influencing instructional improvement:

Atmosphere producer. "Some principals do a wonderful job, both with a few big projects and in countless little ways, of projecting an atmosphere of optimism, of searching for the new, of building respectability for experimentation, of expecting that tomorrow's job will be better than today's, of taking pride in what and how well children are actually learning."

Prophet. "Prophets point to the new horizons, point to them with challenge and appeal. They raise new possibilities. They challenge with ideas imported from elsewhere. They distinguish the important from the routine. They put life into dead committees by showing what could be done. They produce that precious but all too rare commodity around a school—ideas."

Arranger. "Very few instructional improvements just happen. Ordinarily, someone has to make the arrangements which make things happen."

Leader. "Some excellent school principals know the limitations of their own ideas, but they make it possible for others to be leaders. Many other excellent principals have earned leadership rôles. They have studied children and books and instruction until they know. They have pondered and then produced good ideas. They have learned how groups can get results, how plans can be executed, how curriculum enterprises can be made to flourish. They have also learned to keep their mouths shut more often than open."

Cooperator. "Nothing is more praised in modern educational pronouncements than cooperation, but nothing is more rare than cooperators. Most of us have the notion that cooperating means that the other fellow should coo while we operate. Reverse that statement, and you have a rôle which many principals have played to great advantage in causing instructional improvement."

Go-Between. "In the final analysis, instructional improvement is just a dignified name for better teaching by teachers. Most instructional improvement is the result of connections established between an individual teacher

and resources which help him teach

Principals from all parts of the country, like Mr. Erickson, were comforted when they learned in discussion groups that other principals have problems too, and pretty much the same kind of problems. There were eight discussion groups, each with four or five sections: "Deciding What to Teach," "Evaluating the Instructional Program," "Working With Individual Teachers," "Group Planning for Instructional Improvement," "Keeping Up With Materials of Instruction, "Using Specialist Resources," "Administrative Phases of Instructional Leadership," and "Preparation for Instructional Leadership.

Leader of one of the groups discussing "Deciding What to Teach," Mr. Erickson didn't, of course, manage to take in the discussions on the other seven topics. On the basis of his own group's experience and what he heard in the halls, he is convinced that the chief value of the discussion groups lay

in learning what the other fellow had to face and how he has solved his problems or is trying to solve them or wishes he could figure out some way to solve them. If there are any final, definite, absolute answers, no one brought them up.

#### EXPERTS OFFER HELP

Experts in five areas—language arts, science, reading, arithmetic and social studies—offered help to the principals.

Mr. Erickson was especially interested in Helen K. Mackintosh's statements about the importance of listening.

"Many individuals in this day of

about the importance of listening. "Many individuals in this day of television, radio and sound movies often listen to the equivalent of a book a day," she said. "The average person probably speaks a book a week, reads a book a month (if he is lucky), and perhaps in a lifetime writes the equivalent of a book of ideas that he puts down in a creative way (excluding term papers and business uses)."

Miss Mackintosh, chief, elementary schools section, instruction, organiza-

tion and services branch, U.S. Office of Education, pointed out that "listening and speaking are often so taken for granted that people overlook the fact that there are skills involved. An infant begins to listen very early in life, to babble sounds, and to speak recognizable words usually before he is a year old. So children coming to school for the first time have had experiences in listening and in speaking. Their habits of listening may be poor. For who can tell, be he a teacher or a principal, whether a child is listening even though his face seems to tell us so?"

The science program described by Glenn O. Blough, associate professor of education at the University of Maryland, is pretty much the science program of all the Glencoe schools, Mr. Erickson was happy to learn. The idea for consideration, said Dr. Blough, is: "Are we providing sufficient meaningful opportunities in science to meet the needs and interests of children who live in what we blithely term 'the scientific age'?"

Some elementary school principals, Dr. Blough pointed out, have devel-

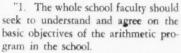
Elementary principals at one of the general sessions at their annual convention in Denver March 7 to 10. Two thousand attended the meeting.



oped good science programs in their schools by encouraging their teachers to try science teaching and not expecting perfect performance in the first trials. They have provided and made easily available equipment and supplies, books, outlines, resource units, courses of study, and other guides. They have educated themselves in science; they have become acquainted with published materials and with successful practical procedures.

"Perhaps the first essential of a good reading program today is concern for and action to develop children's interest in reading," said Nila Banton Smith, professor of education and director of the reading institute, New York University. Dr. Smith also discussed other fundamental growth areas in reading: word recognition, meanings, study skills, and fluency and speed. She gave the principals check lists they might use in assuming their rôle of leadership in improving reading instruction in their schools.

Esther J. Swenson, professor and chairman of the department of elementary education, University of Alabama, stressed five points about arithmetic:



"2. Arithmetic itself should be well understood by all the teachers.

"3. Teaching and learning procedures should be developed in terms of the logic of the subject matter and the psychology of the learners.

"4. Teaching and learning materials for a good arithmetic program should be chosen in such a way as to further the program described.

"5. If points 1 to 4 are observed, there should be no artificial contrasts between the concrete and the abstract, between meaning and practice, or between the mathematical and social phases of arithmetic as a school subject."

John U. Michaelis, professor of education at the University of California, whose subject was the social studies, pointed out that "the development of democratic citizenship is a major concern of both citizens and educators. A balanced curriculum is essential to the development of citizenship in our times. Neglect of any area of the curriculum, or overemphasis upon a single area, inevitably leads to imbalance in children's learning."

#### WHAT TEACHERS EXPECT

Principal Erickson doubts that many teachers, like James W. Gail, spend 90 per cent of their time with 10 per cent of their pupils. But he does think that Mr. Gail, a Denver teacher, did a nice job of explaining to the principals what teachers expect of them in the way of instructional leadership.

Mr. Gail pleaded for help in dealing with the 10 per centers—the child "in the upper or lower 10 per cent mentally, or the child with exceptional emotional problems, a severe physical handicap, dire financial need, home and family conditions beyond the scope of being effectively dealt with by the classroom teacher, or a combination of these." He's not uninterested or unsympathetic; he just doesn't feel able to cope with these children's problems adequately, and he'd like to have more time for the other 90 per cent.

It seems to Mr. Gail that the task of the principal is to make it possible for the classroom teacher to carry out the prime function of the school—instruction.

A principal, he said, is many things to many people—a dietitian, a motorpool sergeant, a supply clerk, a practical nurse, a truant officer, a receptionist, a stationary engineer, a mother, a college professor, a marriage counselor, a psychoanalyst. But above all he is a teacher. "The groundwork has been accomplished which will enable you to be an instructional leader only when you think of yourself as a teacher and your staff also thinks of you as a reacher."

Principal Beatrice O'Brien of Los Angeles agreed with Mr. Gail that a special teacher to work with slow learning and fast learning pupils may be needed. Principals should also consider whether they need a vice principal, a guidance person, and clerks to do the clerical work, she said.

With such help the principal may be able to come out from behind that mound of administrative detail and act as an instructional leader—that is, if he wants to. If he doesn't feel capable of offering such leadership, Miss O'Brien suggested he'd better start studying—reading professional literature, taking college courses, or attending local inservice courses or workshops or conferences of local, state and national organizations.

Mr. Erickson thinks the Denver meeting was a well planned program, with a nice balance of subject matter and method of presentation. Participants didn't have to rush constantly; there was a half day for sightseeing; there was another half day during which principals could observe in the Denver schools.

Unwilling to be original on this subject, Mr. Erickson said he agrees with most convention-goers that one of the most valuable things about a convention is the opportunity to talk with others in the hallways between meetings. There's another value too—"just the chance to get away and get a little perspective on your problems. One can get terribly concerned about minute details; occasionally he needs to have his sights lifted to more challenging and more important things."

#### OFFICERS ELECTED

New officers of the Department of Elementary School Principals, elected by mail ballot before the convention, are: president-elect, Robert N. Chenault, Nashville, Tenn.; vice president, Bernice Smith, Garden City, Kan., and members at large, Basil Rohrer, Evansville, Ind., and Ralph Eudaily, Missoula, Mont. President this year is Mathilda A. Gilles, Salem, Ore.



**EDUCATION IN 2000 A.D.** 

## Fabulous Future Challenges Imagination

### Focus Attention on Human Values

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OUR look into the fabulous future discloses a technological wonderland; it also carries a challenge—to direct this technology toward human ends, to focus adequate attention on human values, to attack the major issue of our times — problems of human relationships.

We may confidently expect the technology of the future to contribute materials and technics that will help the teacher. However, in order to direct technological improvements toward improvement of human living, it will be necessary that we have teachers who are well rounded in their appreciation of human values. As never before, teacher education programs will have to center upon the development of teachers who have warm human qualities and who are more concerned with how the wonders of 2000 A.D. are used than with particular inventions as such-just as we should be more concerned today with the quality of television programs than with the fact that television is now possible.

#### NOT A TECHNICIAN

This means that teacher education programs will increasingly be concerned with problems of child development, with the ways in which people learn, and with the nature of the current culture. These will not be handled simply through technics of operating new machines. We would

indeed be deceiving ourselves if we thought that the teaching process would become less personal and more mechanical. In brief, the teacher of tomorrow will need even more than today a broad general education. He will need to be, as today, a well rounded person and not merely a technician.

To provide an educational program which utilizes our technological advances while focusing on human values, school districts must remain close to the people, school districts must be large enough to support a strong educational program but not so large that human values are lost in the process. The human factor in the equation makes it essential that basic principles of local school district operation be preserved.

School districts will be called upon to provide ever broadening services—to children, young people, adults with more leisure time, adults who have retired at an early age.

#### BROADER FINANCIAL BASE

A broader base will have to be used to finance such programs. Growing interdependence within our country, increasing mobility, and growth of residential areas at a distance from industrial and urban concentrations will underline this need for greater equalization of opportunity and school support.

Financing of the schools should become as automatic as time payments on a new car or payroll deductions for income tax purposes. A broader program and enriched opportunities for more people will necessitate creative thinking as to school finance. A more complex, technological culture will require creative thinking to keep human values continuously before us.

## Skeptical About Television

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EVERY superintendent who has the good fortune to find a few minutes to dream inevitably projects in his mind a school system as it will look 50 years hence. The article by Dr. Walsh is the first real attempt I have seen to put the dream down on paper.

Anything I might say to take issue with the author simply reflects a different personality talking about a different dream.

#### NO REVOLUTION

I will support Dr. Walsh in nearly everything he says, because I believe in the statistical trends that all of us can observe. His dream deals more with gadgets than with ideas, more with technological aspects than with human relationships. I have been among those reactionary individuals who fail to foresee the replacement of classroom teachers with TV screens. I like TV. I think it makes a wonderful contribution to culture, despite a few horrible exceptions. But I can't visualize a revolution in the classroom via the television tube, any more than radio revolutionized instruction. And radio has been around a long time.

I think my reservations stem mainly from one premise: that while scientific change goes on unabated, man, himself, seems to turn out about the same model each generation. We are building jet planes that can surpass the wildest speculation, but we are

having trouble finding men who can fly them and survive.

I am still young enough and I have faith enough in the improvements in medical science actually to hope to see the year 2000. If Mr. Walsh is entirely right in his predictions, I will, at that time, apologize for any doubt that I may have cast in this review.

## Master Teachers for a New Age

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IN HIS interesting predictions concerning education in 2000 A.D. Dr. Walsh briefly suggests that the concept of the "master teacher" will emerge. He then elaborates with enthusiasm upon the marvelous mechanical aids which will be available in every well equipped classroom.

As I read about such wonders as individual desk-top TV screens, electronic and self-cleaning classroom writing spaces, speed and color adjustable magnifiers for reading, and magnetic tape photography, my mind kept returning to what I consider to be the most significant prediction in the entire article: In the year 2000 A.D. there will be master teachers.

#### MACHINES CAN'T TEACH

The development of master teachers will be the crux of the vastly improved system of education necessary for man to produce and control a kaleidoscopic age. After all, machines may be used effectively by good teach-

ers, but, by themselves, they cannot teach. They are merely tools for use in the teaching process. They cannot decide what should be taught, nor can they select and organize content to make it easily mastered. They cannot even judge whether "Johnny" is learning properly. Machines may facilitate learning, but they can never replace the teacher in the educative process. Machines under man's direction may bring the world, condensed and in color, with sound accompaniment, into the classroom, but they cannot bring the joy to a child's heart or the excitement to his mind that is supplied by the human warmth, understanding and inspiration of a devoted and capable teacher.

Joining in the spirit of Dean Walsh's glimpse into the future, one might speculate as to what it will take to produce "master teachers" for the schools of 2000 A.D. If such teachers are to be developed, first of all young people with the keenest minds, as well as the best personal qualifications, must choose to teach. Their education must be subsidized, if necessary, and the rewards of teaching must make it a "first choice" professional field.

#### PREPARING MASTER TEACHERS

The preparation of master teachers for elementary and secondary schools might possibly include a minimum of four years of liberal or basic education beyond the secondary school plus at least three years of graduate and professional preparation.

The latter will, of necessity, place continuing emphasis upon the content of subject fields to be taught as well as upon the theory and practice of teaching. Beyond the years of graduate study, during which the prospective teacher will have attained a level

of education equal to that achieved by the holder of the doctorate today, we might imagine that the prospective teacher will engage in a two or three year supervised internship. The period of preparation for teaching will not be extended as much as it might appear since by 2000 A.D. brighter students will undoubtedly move through their studies more rapidly.

#### **EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED**

We might guess, further, that in another 50 years all teachers will be required by members of the profession to pass rigid written and oral examinations-in general culture, the subject fields of their specialization, and the applied aspects of the teaching process—in order to be admitted to the teaching profession and to be legally certified for teaching. Such examinations will probably be taken prior to the internship assignment. We might also predict, or perhaps it is just a hope, that by the turn of the century the preparation of teachers will be so completely recognized as a function of the entire institution of higher learning that all college and university professors, regardless of their fields, will cooperatively and harmoniously bring their energies and intellectual resources to bear upon the important task that is jointly theirsthe preparation of master teachers.

#### New Meanings for Schoolhouse Planning

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WHAT about education in 2000 A.D.? That question intrigues me even though it seems so very remote that my first reaction is to pass it off as of no concern to me. Then when I realize that the buildings we are constructing now cannot be written off as an expendable item during that span of time, I begin to see the implications of the question and the responsibilities that we must assume for the kinds of school plants we bequeath the young people of 2000 A.D.

It is expecting too much of us to assume that we can predict precisely the kinds of educational experiences that society will provide for its youth in 2000 A.D. But it is not expecting too much of us to assume that we who are planning and equipping buildings, struggling with curriculum offerings, and determining the teacher training programs will at least recognize the inescapable fact that we are approaching a new era in which education will play an ever increasing part in the development of youth.

Here are some specific implications that deserve consideration in terms of education in 2000 A.D.

The Curriculum and Instruction Program. The tremendous body of knowledges and skills necessary for successful living in this stepped-up period of technology and automation will require careful screening on the part of the schools in order that the education process may be speeded up. Accelerated learning requires the use of many types of equipment and facilities not found in our classrooms today. Education will no longer be taught in terms of certain age brackets of our population but as a continuous process available to all who can profit by the experience. We should think in terms of a reorganized subject matter which will lose the identity of the typical high school unit. Teachers may have to be highly specialized technicians as well as persons who have broad general backgrounds of knowl-

In order to permit the highest possible development of the individual in terms of the economy of time, learning must be accelerated. Some may desire to stay in school continuously for a considerable period of time while others will be in and out of school and will engage in related occupational activities paralleling school experiences, thus requiring a longer period of time to complete the school program.

School Building Facilities. Perhaps the most important consideration that should be given to school buildings and the design of school buildings today for the education of 2000 A.D. is a matter of flexibility and adaptability. The typical laboratory in today's school will not meet the demands of laboratory experiences for 2000 A.D. There is every reason to believe that in some areas of instruction large groups can be taught effectively. In other areas smaller groups will be the order of the day. The greatest challenge to those who are designing

school buildings today, therefore, lies in the areas of design that permit flexibility and adaptability to the changing needs of classroom procedures. Year-round conditioning for comfort in terms of heating and cooling is inevitable. It follows, therefore, that the installations of present facilities should be designed in such a way as to permit replacements with a minimum of difficulty. Variations of types of seating and school furniture within a given area will replace the monotony of today's standard classroom furniture. Perhaps the greatest advance in school equipment will come in the mechanical features for instructional purposes that also require manipulation to supplement technical knowledge. If we are to prepare people to live in the age of automation, it follows the school must provide those experiences that permit successful living in such a period. The opportunity to master these technical skills and knowledges in various areas cannot be confined to youth but must be made available to all segments of our

As we contemplate the educational possibilities of 2000 A.D., we are impressed with the ever increasing importance of the rôle of the teacher in our society. Teaching takes on new meaning, and education rises to new heights in the world order. We who are responsible for tomorrow's schools built today must accept the challenge and the responsibility for designing schools that will contribute to the growth and development of individuals in the capacity to live successfully in the complex order of which they will be a part in 2000 A.D.

#### Calls for Real Educational Research

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VERY intriguing are the predictions made by Dr. Walsh as he peers into the future—not too distant future at that. In fact, he points up very interestingly the challenges that are to be our *immediate* concern as mysteries of nature—many of them already solved or virtually solved—

unfold before us. Some of his speculations sound somewhat absurd. For example, the idea of a device for acquiring knowledge while sleeping. But we must remember that the fantasies of yesterday are realities today—in many instances.

Forty-four years ago we were spending virtually nothing on research in this country. Today it is estimated we are spending \$2 billion or more on research. In the fields of fission of heavy metals, fusion of lighter elements, ultrasonics, solar energy, and wind tunnel experiments, miracles are happening. Many things undreamt of today by any of us are inevitable—things that will greatly change much of our way of life.

If we are to meet the challenges of our times we must find a way to finance real research in education—not a mere pittance of a few thousand dollars here and there. Millions should be spent to chart scientifically the way of education for the future, to be certain that our educational plans and procedures do not lag behind in the rapid advances in the decades ahead. The cost will be high, but if we fail to pay it the cost of our failure may be too great for those who come after us

This is not a problem for the professional educator alone. It is a matter of great concern to the economist, the political scientist, yes, and to those concerned with national security. Our utilization of the tools that will be placed in our hands, our ability to adjust ourselves to completely different schedules of living, and our ability to continue to fill our place in the family of nations and maintain a favorable position among them—all these and much more depend upon the adequacy of educational processes in the years ahead.

We must be sure that we know just what "jet age" education is like. Rule-of-thumb decisions about matters of this sort are terribly dangerous. The obvious plea for scientific research in this field hardly needs to be repeated. We need to know all that can be known now about prospects of changes in the future that will impinge appreciably on the processes of education. The nation's educators not only should be aware of impending changes but should help bring them about. The most dynamic force in any community should be its school system.

The article by Dr. Walsh presents quite a challenge—and well.

ACCENT on creativeness highlighted the 11th annual convention of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, meeting in New York March 19 to 23. In spite of transportation difficulties because of belated winter weather, some 22,000 delegates and visitors spent most of the week attending the more than 75 group discussion meetings.

Robert S. Gilchrist, superintendent of schools at University City, Mo., took over the gavel at the close of the convention, succeeding as president Gordon N. Mackenzie, head of the department of curriculum and teaching at Teachers College, Columbia University.

The three general sessions considered a related sequence of topics: creative thinking, creative living, and creative teaching for creative thinking and living. Leading the discussion on creative thinking, President Harold Taylor of Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, N.Y., said:

"I do not believe that schools and colleges should be merely the agencies for transmitting American middle class values. This is, in fact, what they usually are, when they should be agencies for transforming and re-creating the values of each generation.

"Newer theories of education in this century have broken with conservative doctrine. Each generation of children has its own truth, each child has a fresh start, and the institutions of education should be agencies of creative effort by children and teachers together for adding new insight and new ideas to the present fund of knowledge and custom. This demands a positive, not necessarily permissive, attitude by the

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teacher toward the student, one which looks toward him expectantly for a fresh outlook and a new truth."

Speaking on the same topic, Gardner Murphy, director of research for the Menninger Foundation at Topeka, Kan., declared that "the right to inquire is at the very heart of the spirit from which all creativeness develops. It is our task to show that research in education, in psychology, and in the social sciences can still move apace toward the definition of a kind of freedom of teaching, of learning, of discussion, and of inquiry which, however threatened, must be vigorously defended."

Among those interviewed at press conferences was Robert Fleming, chairman of the department of early childhood and elementary education at New York University and chairman of the A.S.C.D. commission on educational research.

The commission, said Dr. Fleming, is concerned with helping teachers to become better consumers of research and encouraging them to participate in a research approach to their own problems. He emphasized that research should be done by teachers in the school and that administration should create settings for satisfactory work.

When asked specifically who should provide the settings, he said it is the principal's job to foster leadership in this respect. When asked about the responsibility of the chief school administrator, he replied that the superintendent needs to rediscover the teacher in the classroom, to know what's going on. His rôle among other things is (1) to make adequate provisions on his staff for research personnel, (2) to provide research facilities for the teachers, (3) to schedule time and opportunities for teachers to work together, (4) to make consultants available, and (5) to train leaders for the research approach to improvement of teaching and the curriculum.

Also interviewed was H. Gordon Hullfish, professor of education at Ohio State University and chairman of the A.S.C.D. commission on forces affecting American education. His opinion was asked on the sudden increase in the number of workshops being offered by business and industry which teachers are invited to attend with all expenses paid. Frequently the administration and the curriculum of the workshop are planned by the industry or business.

Dr. Hullfish commented: "Teachers who attend such workshops will learn



Rodney Tillman (left), newly appointed executive secretary of A.S.C.D. Below: The retiring president, Gordon N. Mackenzie; the incoming president, Robert Gilchrist, and the president-elect, G. Robert Koopman.



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a lot about a given facet of life, but they need to be careful that they do not innocently become propagandists for a special interest group. In other words, they need to be aware of what they are getting into."

Asked his opinion of unilateral alliances between education and any other interest group, specifically of the relationship between education and or-

ganized labor, he said:

"While I recognize the freedom of the individual to join whatever organizations he chooses, public education itself cannot be organized to represent any one segment of American life."

Asked to define what was meant by "forces" affecting American education, he described "forces" as an organized or expansive pressure that impinges upon education or holds it in its status quo. Some such forces are supporting education, others are impeding it. "I think the public is ahead of the profession in its thinking about education, in its realization of what education can do and can be."

In answer to another question, he said that the educational lag is becoming more serious today because of rapid social change and the seriousness of the total world situation.

What can we do about it? he was asked. "For one thing," he said, "we could do more research. We need more research to show the seriousness of this lag and to convince the profession that we need to accelerate our efforts."

#### **DEPLORES TEACHERS' MEEKNESS**

Another interview was with Robert Anderson of the graduate school of education of Harvard University, chairman of the A.S.C.D. commission on crowding in our schools.

"I hope that our meeting this week will serve to give the profession the 'hot foot' in a nationwide attack on oversize classes," he declared. "Teachers are meekly tolerating impossible conditions instead of going up to their school board — in individuals and groups — to get something done about them."

He proposed a three-pronged campaign. First, he recommended research; second, an advertising campaign; third, giving the "needle" to those in the profession of teaching.

He recommended the gathering of further data and the encouraging of doctoral studies pertaining specifically to the problem of overcrowding. As one example of meeting the situation, he referred to the practice of Flint, Mich., El Paso, Tex., and other places where small homes are put up rapidly and used temporarily for classrooms. He mentioned also that building codes are causing some school districts to spend much more than is really needed for safe and efficient schoolhouse construction.

Resolutions adopted at the annual meeting called upon A.S.C.D. officers to exercise vigorous leadership in eliminating membership restrictions (segregation of minority groups) in affiliated state and regional groups where such restrictions exist and urged

members "to provide constructive leadership in advancing continuously toward the racial integration of the education of all children and youth."

Another resolution recommended the appointment of a commission to study "the need for a wide variety of experimental projects in teacher recruitment, teacher preparation, and the better use of teacher competencies" but qualified this recommendation with a proviso that "all such experimentation and its evaluation be directed toward fostering sound educational policies and practices and not be based upon expediency to meet emergencies."

### Impetus to Science Teaching

comes from National Science Foundation, from teachers themselves, other sources

CURRENT interest in the development of scientists focused more than usual interest on the meeting of the fourth national convention of the National Science Teachers Association in Washington, D.C., March 14 to 17. Proposals receiving much consideration included (1) expanding activity on the part of the federal government in the field of science teaching, (2) stepping up science instruction into a well integrated curriculum, and (3) giving attention to the rapid learner.

#### SKETCHES FOUNDATION PROGRAM

Alan T. Waterman, director of the National Science Foundation (established by Congress in 1950), in mentioning some of the things government can do for science instruction, made it clear that "whatever is done to improve the lot of science teachers will redound to the benefit of teachers in all fields and that is what we desire." Foundation achievements and plans include.

1. This year, 21 grants have been awarded to colleges and universities for the support of summer institutes. During the first three years the Foundation supported 17 such projects.

These institutes will be widely separated geographically and will cover a broad range of science subject matter. The grants include stipends for about 50 teachers in each institute sufficient to cover expenses for the program, which ranges from four to eight weeks in length. Additional allowances for dependents are also provided. Nine of the institutes are exclusively for high school teachers of science; five are for college teachers only, and seven are open to those in either group.

2. Two experimental academic year institutes for high school science teachers are planned for next fall. This program, which is being carried out with the cooperation of the University of Wisconsin and Oklahoma A. & M. College, will offer courses of study in science and mathematics designed especially for inservice teachers and planned cooperatively by the science, mathematics and education departments of the cooperating institutions. Curriculums will be adapted as much as possible to individual needs, and will be accepted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for M.A. degree.

Stipends of \$3000 each will be awarded to 50 high school teachers on leave of absence for the purpose of attending the institute. Additional allowances for dependents and limited support for travel will also be provided. High school science teachers

with a minimum of three years of teaching experience are eligible to apply. Committees in the host institutions will select the participants.

3. The Foundation plans, during the coming year, to expand its fellowship program to include faculty fellowships. This program is designed to improve standards of college science teaching.

In addition to these plans "that take the teacher to science," the Foundation has other projects designed "to carry science to the schools," Dr. Waterman said. These include:

1. The visiting lecturer program introduced by the Mathematical Association of America. This group selected five eminent mathematicians, who were available most of the academic year 1954-55, for week-long visits to small colleges.

2. Support for the American Chemical Society and the American Institute of Biological Sciences in the conduct of similar programs.

3. A traveling library program for high schools. The Foundation is supporting the A.A.A.S. project, involving circulation of selected science books to small high schools.

4. The traveling science demonstration program. In the academic year 1956-57 the Oak Ridge Institute for Nuclear Studies will conduct a pilot program supported jointly by the Atomic Energy Commission and the Foundation. Eight science teachers will be given a special course of training at Oak Ridge. Each teacher will be provided with a station wagon equipped with instruments and apparatus that will enable him to demonstrate important principles of physical science not commonly taught in high schools. Beginning next September, the eight trained demonstrators will pay one-week visits to more than 200 high schools during the course of the academic year. They will instruct teachers in the construction of simple apparatus for use in science teaching.

Support and encouragement of efforts to improve science curriculums at both the secondary and college levels.

These efforts have taken the form of conferences designed to bring college teachers and eminent research scientists together for the purpose of considering recent scientific developments and their proper place in the curriculum. Another type of conference designed to improve science curriculums brings together for given fields of science a number of eminent scientists, college teachers, administra-

tors and representatives of state education departments for the purpose of coordinating the region's total science teaching program.

6. Support for the American Association of Physics Teachers' systematic study of curriculums for general courses and for a similar study by the National Research Council in the field of biology at the secondary school and introductory college level.

#### TELLS H.E.W. PROGRAM

Also discussing the position of the federal government in the field of public education, Herold C. Hunt, undersecretary of Health, Education and Welfare, told the convention that the department is:

1. Putting special emphasis on the education of the mentally handicapped.

2. Trying to find better ways to help children with outstanding abilities utilize their advantages.

3. Looking into the relationship of schools to juvenile delinquency and the educational problems which result from the fact "that we are a people forever on the move."

4. Planning to explore the possibilities for a much wider use of television in our educational system.

In framing its legislative proposals the Administration has "necessarily borne in mind" three cardinal principles: (1) that the primary responsibility for providing public education and operating public schools is properly a state and local function; (2) that federal legislation must be so designed that there will be no slackening of state and local effort, and (3) that federal assistance "must be so distributed that the greatest assistance is placed where there is greatest need."

#### FOR RAPID LEARNERS

A. Harry Passow, associate professor of education and research associate, Horace Mann-Lincoln Institute of School Experimentation, Teachers College, Columbia University, discussing the development of a science program for rapid learners, said:

1. It should begin early, long before the secondary school. "It may not be possible in the elementary schools to determine who will be the scientists and who the nonscientists. But the rapid learner is marked by intellectual precosity which could benefit from early discipline of work habits, attitudes and study skills."

2. Science at the secondary school level has a place in the general edu-

cation of all rapid learners. "However, science programs will have to be developed that meet both common and individual needs."

3. Laboratory experience should be focused on problem solution rather than on material manipulation.

Declaring that science course sequence and content can stand reexamination, he said we may find that:

1. The content of existing courses can be acquired by rapid learners in far less time than is now spent.

2. We need to establish multiple tracks within a class or among several classes.

3. We need to integrate science with other disciplines — mathematics, humanities or social studies.

4. Modifications are required only in the methodology used or the materials and facilities required.

#### MORE GENERAL EDUCATION NEEDED

Ralph E. Gibson, director, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, discussing the need for a general education as well as training for a profession, said:

"Preparation for leadership requires that training for a profession be preceded by general education, but the exigencies of specialized training have tended to crowd this necessary preliminary out of university programs and it certainly is not being supplied by the high schools."

The mental habits to be cultivated, the faculties to be exercised in a general education designed to fit a man for leadership in science or in engineering, were summarized as follows:

1. The capacity for clear and fluent communication with other people, the outside world, and with oneself.

2. The capacity for and acquisition of knowledge and experience—building up a well stocked mental inventory.

3. Habits of discipline and continual critical analysis to distinguish valid from trivial experience.

4. Power of building consistent mental patterns of knowledge, the basis for understanding and judgment.

5. Cultivation of imagination and intellectual courage, the association of ideas, the building of new patterns of thought, prediction of their consequences in opening areas of new experience, the courage to pursue these consequences to the bitter end.

Glenn O. Blough, associate professor of education, University of Maryland, was elected president of N.S.T.A.

#### **OPINION POLL**

### Most superintendents favor merit rating in principle, but they aren't willing to put it into practice

A nationwide sampling of superintendents by The Nation's Schools

S UPERIOR teachers are going to get their reward this side of heaven—if they live long enough. They are going to get it just as soon as school administrators find out how to do what they know is right and just in this regard. Naturally the earthly reward for superior teaching is going to be earthy old coin of the realm.

If school administration is for cash rewards for superior teaching who can be against them? The school board? Not so as you can notice it. Schoolmen say it is the teachers themselves. If so, will method cure their madness?

Finding that merit rating is a top controversial issue wherever school folk gather under one roof, The NATION SCHOOLS chose it for the topic of its May opinion poll.

When it comes to the principle of "paying the teacher somewhat in accordance with the quality of his or her teaching," schoolmen of the nation come out with an 86 per cent Yea. Working as closely as they do

with their boards of education, these schoolmen think that the school board is of the same opinion in 82 per cent of the cases.

However, school administrators guess that the majority of teachers think differently. Fifty-eight per cent think teachers are opposed to it in principle. And when they are it's because they are frightened.

Some administrators, too, are wary—not of merit rating in principle but of merit rating in practice. (Maybe that's what the teachers fear, too.) Administrators would welcome merit rating as a morale builder if they didn't fear it as a morale smasher.

#### "NOT A PROFESSION"

Yet, as a California administrator said, in returning his questionnaire: "Education can never be a profession until competence is recognized in pay."

Lip service to merit rating, it appears from replies to the poll, is likely to continue until there are adequate criteria for evaluating teacher effec-

"I may try merit rating after I know the names of a few schools that practice it successfully," said one. Mr. Doubter, meet a man from eastern Washington, who declares:

"Our consolidated school employs from 50 to 60 teachers. We have been giving extra pay for superior teaching for eight years. This policy has enabled us to employ superior persons for the most important teaching positions in our schools; it has enabled us to hold them. In granting extra pay for superior teaching, we have considered the standing of the teacher with the students, parents and principals. The school board and the superintendent have been the final judges.

"We believe that our country has progressed because of individual initiative and that many times a salary schedule promotes mediocrity instead of promoting the best efforts of teachers. If some of our teachers have been unhappy because of our salary system, they have left the system. I have been a high school principal in some of the largest schools in our state, and so far I have had a most enjoyable time managing this school system with a merit pay system."

From Michigan comes this comment: "The merit teacher idea sounds very good, but you will discover it is difficult to put into operation and to administer. When our teachers discuss any such proposal I always ask who will be the first to volunteer to be on a committee to evaluate the worthiness of his or her colleagues for salary privileges under merit rating. So far I have no volunteers."

#### COMPLETE DISBELIEVER

A complete disbeliever is Supt. E. A. Sahm of New Braunfels, Tex.:

"I spent five years on the problem of measuring teachers objectively," Mr. Sahm declares. "I had to abandon the study. Many others have done likewise.

"If any merit salary system is adopted, teachers will be at the mercy of incapable and probably prejudiced 'amateur judges,' purely subjective in their efforts. There will be a clamor to gain favor, to provide special privileges for those who do the judging. Jealousies will arise among teachers, which will disorganize the morale of a school system.

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#### EXTRA PAY FOR SUPERIOR TEACHING?

- 1. Do you favor the principle of extra pay for superior teaching (that is, paying the teacher somewhat in accordance with the quality of his or her teaching)?
  - Yes 86% No 14%
- 2. Do you think your teachers favor this principle?
  - Yes 42% No 58%
- Do you think your school board would favor this principle?
   Yes 82% No 18%
- 4. Should the rating of a teacher's superiority be solely the responsibility of the administrative staff and the board?
  Yes 43% No 57%
- If extra pay is to be granted for superior teaching, should any of the following groups participate in helping to identify the superior teacher:
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A number of respondents pointed out the difficulties that would arise with "borderline cases." Others would give superior teachers extra duties and pay them for those.

#### PHILOSOPHY DIRECTED BY PRESSURE

A New Yorker would take strong issue with our Texas disbeliever. "How can school administrators justify their educational leadership when their philosophy is directed by pressure?" he asks. "The policy of recognizing superior teaching is morally sound and is merely a continuation of what all teachers teach, i.e. that ability and industry are rewarded. Education, the mother of the American dream, cannot deny her own child by ruling all teachers into a common salary groove. There will be no more errors in selection made by administrators (who have vital stake in their judgments) and boards than would be made by

any other method of selection, nor is this method incompatible with similar pay and promotion systems in the commercial, military and religious worlds.

"The attitude of teachers on this matter is extremely bigoted and hypocritical. In their own classrooms they admire the superior student and give him more responsibility and privileges, but let them step into a faculty meeting and their personal problems help them rationalize—'equal pay for equal work,' 'across the board raises,' etc."

Our New Yorker brings us to Questions 4 and 5 in the poll as to who should rate a teacher's superiority. Democracy in administration is not a myth, for 57 per cent of the respondents do not regard the rating of teachers to be solely the responsibility of the administrative staff and the board. The majority (51 per cent) would like fellow teachers to have a hand in establishing merit ratings. A fourth of the respondents (26 per cent) think parents might well be represented in the rating process, and almost that proportion (23 per cent) would bring the children into the rating effort.

In regard to teachers helping to

rate their colleagues, one respondent replies: "Inasmuch as fellow teachers would not know of classroom success of others, I would favor some plan in which they could evaluate professional attitudes, ethics, loyalty, community service, and the like.

"Groups—superior, average, low—formed on a total score basis would be a better approach than individual appraisal. The administrator's score of possible points might be 8, the supervisor's 10, fellow teachers, 8, and parent opinion, much smaller, to a possible total of 28 for superior teaching."

#### POPULARITY ISN'T COMPETENCE

A superintendent from Massachusetts would not permit teachers or parents or children to take part in the ratings. "Real competence would become confused with popularity," he believes.

Here is a voice of experience in regard to student ratings: "For a number of years my high school students evaluated the work of high school teachers. I found senior students to be very discerning; juniors were somewhat less discerning; freshmen were inclined to take the teacher's word as to whether she was a good teacher. There is a great amount of evidence that poor teachers can build themselves up with elementary school students and with parents of elementary pupils by political means. If an elementary teacher tells her pupils, 'I am an outstanding teacher,' they are inclined to believe it, as are the parents."

To sum up, it would appear that if school administrators have certain principles, they must use blood, sweat and tears to implement them rather than say, as so many did in replying to this questionnaire: "Yes, we believe in merit rating, but it's impossible to practice it."

#### TO STUDY PLAN

They might better follow the plan of this administrator (the blurred postmark on his return appears to be from an indistinguishable town in "Ark."): "Teachers have been advanced by almost automatic salary scales for so long that a period of education and study of merit rating is essential. Our school system will spend the coming year in such a study. A committee made up of lay people, teachers, school committee members, and the administrative staff has been established. It is hoped that an acceptable plan will be formulated by budget time in December 1956."



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Director, Bureau of Audio-Visual Instruction, University of Wisconsin

THIRTEEN HUNDRED supervisors of instruction, audio-visual directors, and coordinators attended in Detroit March 12 to 16 the largest audio-visual instructional materials annual meeting in the history of the Department of Audio-Visual Instruction of the N.E.A.

Facing up squarely to the increasing problems of instruction, expanding enrollments, and programs for inservice instruction, audio-visual experts, teachers and school administrators addressed themselves to the problems of reading, language arts, the social studies, and

other areas of instruction—as they attempted to answer questions about the rôle and effectiveness of Twentieth Century communication developments that are rapidly being made available in classroom learning situations.

#### FILMS AID READING

Reports of research, and descriptions of classroom learning situations in which films and other audio-visual technics have been successfully used to arouse greater interest in and comprehension of reading, pointed to ways of leading larger numbers of children

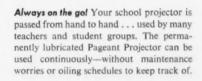
toward better reading accomplishment. One study cited was that reported by Paul Witty of Northwestern University and James Fitzwater of the Chicago schools, in which groups of representative Chicago second graders were observed. The findings showed conclusively that when films were used 90 per cent of the pupils were involved at a higher level of learning. Another study made by Lewis Romano, supervisor of instruction, Shorewood, Wis., established that, when films were used to enrich science instruction, gains of from 50 to 200 per cent were

Left: Fortunato Teho, visual aids specialist at the University of Hawaii, presents leis to L. C. Larson of Indiana University, D.A.V.I. president, and Walter Wittich of the Uni-

versity of Wisconsin, past president of the organization. Right: James Bushong, superintendent of schools at Grosse Pointe, Mich., spoke at the convention's kickoff session.







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achieved in classroom work at the intermediate grade level.

Of outstanding interest as a feature of the convention were the advanced models of audio-visual classroom equipment, including 16mm sound motion picture projectors which will allow the teacher to create her own sound-track version of the teaching film. Other devices included improved models of the opaque projector and a simplified version of the widely known mechanical tachistoscopic reading rate improvement devices developed a decade ago by such reading authorities as Emmett Betts, Donald D. Durrell, and others.

Of major concern to teacher, administrator and exhibitor has been the emerging usefulness of audio-visual technics as means and methods of providing needed but unfortunately hard to provide readiness activities on the basis of which greater reading skill and comprehension, facility in oral communication, and skill in language arts can be achieved by the majority of pupils.

### A LOT MORE WORK

"The teacher who uses movies in the classroom is doing the job the 'hard' way," Virgil Rogers, dean, school of education, Syracuse University, advised, "whereas the teacher who consistently uses the book is likely to be taking the easier course. It's a great deal easier to instruct the class to open up the book and tell the whole class to start working on page 85 and to 'keep busy' than it is to plan a program which involves the careful selection and wise classroom use of appropriate audio-visual materials."

"There is an idea among some people that a teacher who uses movies in the classroom just starts the thing running and sits back and relaxes," L. C. Larson of Indiana University reported. "But there's really a whale of a lot more work for the teacher who correlates materials and then follows up book instruction by offering extras."

Lyle Ashby, N.E.A. assistant executive secretary, said, "It is preposterous to assume that merely placing audiovisual materials in the classroom can possibly take the place of a teacher. You can't make education an automation or assembly-line process. Take television, for example. It can be used very well to enrich the instruction and should be used in this way.

"But when it comes to proposals that we could get along with fewer trained teachers by having a master teacher talk to hundreds or even thousands of children from a television screen, the idea is preposterous.

"Children can't just sit and look at a television set every day and learn. Education isn't something that is fed into a child. It is a give-and-take process where some of it has to come out of the child.

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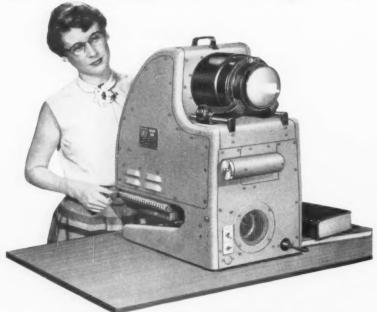
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At the close of the meeting, the gavel was turned over to the new president, L. C. Larson of Indiana University, by the retiring president, Walter Wittich, University of Wisconsin.

The high point issue of the convention was the scope and naming of the new professional magazine of the Department of Audio-Visual Instruction. The magazine, tentatively entitled "Instructional Materials," was analyzed at the time of the presentation of the first issue at the Detroit conference. Feeling about the professional significance of the new magazine's scope and content was ably expressed by previously instructed delegates representing 16 state audio-visual organizations. Alternate titles will be presented through a referendum mailed ballot to all members of the D.A.V.I. in May. This test will reveal whether members of the association wish to retain the tentative title, "Instructional Materials," or the proposed alternate title, "Audio-Visual

Acting as hosts to the Detroit meeting and responsible for arrangements, which included a complete audio-visual service arrangement for all meetings, field trips into the greater manufacturing assembly lines of the automobile city, and opportunities to meet the administrative officers and teachers of the Detroit public schools, were Cochairmen Lewis Saks, East Detroit public schools, and Robert LeAnderson, Detroit public schools.

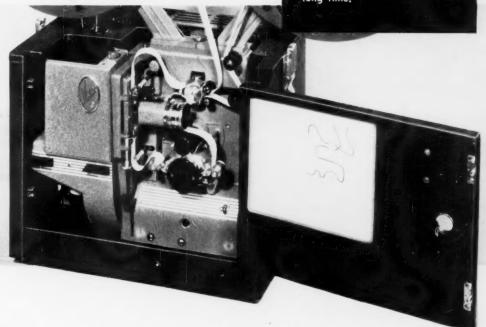
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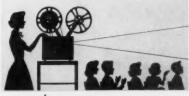
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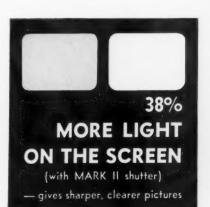




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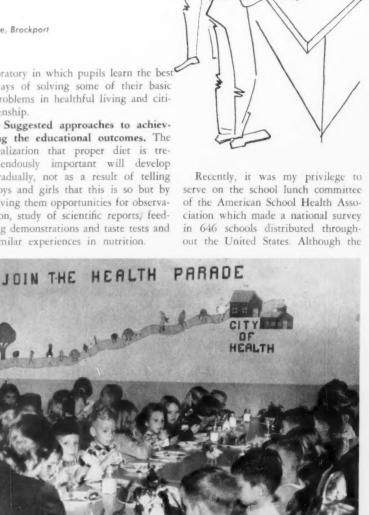
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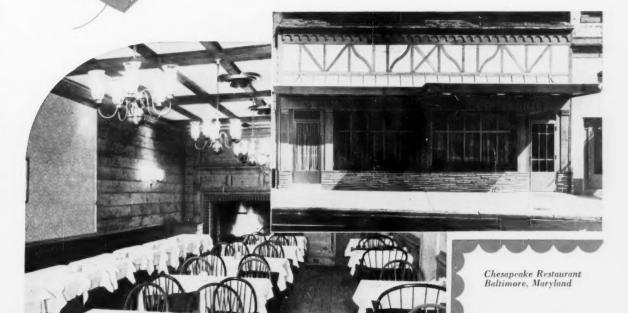
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survey was aimed primarily at sanitary practices, a number of questions pertain to educational aspects of the school lunch program. The first five of the following suggestions for making better use of school lunch educational opportunities tie in with the national survey:

1. The school lunch can serve as a unit of study. In the national school lunch survey, 50 per cent or 308 schools reported they had discussed the nutritional purpose of the school lunch in their grades and in appropriate classes.

2. School children can participate by working in the school lunch program. Five per cent of the schools (43) indicated children assist in food preparation; 50 per cent (302 schools) said children help in food service, and 70 per cent said they help in cleaning up.

3. Continuous active participation by parent-teacher groups was reported in a variety of ways: help in serving lunches, financial aid to lunch programs, aid in obtaining improvements, aid in school lunch inspection, and use of school lunchroom for other community purposes.

4. Health should be taught as a separate subject in the curriculum. This gives increased opportunity to realize more fully the educational contributions of the school lunch. Sixty per cent of the schools surveyed (386) reported health was taught as a separate subject.

5. Sufficient time should be allotted for lunch. In the national survey, 20

per cent of schools allotted 20 to 29 minutes for the school lunch, 40 per cent, or 265 schools, reported 30 to 39 minutes, 25 per cent reported 40 to 49 minutes, and 15 per cent reported more than 50 minutes.

Other educational opportunities. However, there are also other ways of achieving the educational outcomes of the school lunch:

6. School lunch personnel may help grades and classes plan for picnics, party refreshments, and "tasting" parties.

7. Grades and classes can be invited to plan a day's menu, or possibly a week's menus. With the increase in school camping, grades may also prepare menus for camping trips.

8. Grades and classes can be encouraged to study wastage of food such as bread and milk. An interesting study can be developed on why children did not finish school lunches.

9. Grades and classes can study the best foods to be served for lunch by nutritive comparisons of breads, fruits, desserts and so forth. For example, many schools have compared Cornell bread with whole wheat, rye and enriched breads.

10. A "tasting committee" can help the lunch manager introduce new foods. A lunchroom committee can introduce a new food with a sign, "Try Some—It's Free." Or a small helping may be added to each lunch.

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12. Pupils frequently can help solve problems involved in maintaining order and a pleasant atmosphere. In some schools this has resulted in pupils electing hosts and hostesses at each table, or classes listing points of etiquette applicable to eating in the

cafeteria. Student councils have frequently aided in solving problems.

13. Pupils may arrange for celebrating in the cafeteria a holiday or a special occasion on the school calendar.

14. And, finally, there are numerous opportunities for correlating classroom activities with the cafeteria and school lunch program. With the cooperation of school lunch personnel and teachers, many desirable pupil experiences can be worked out in classes such as English, science, arithmetic, business education, art, social studies and music, as well as in home economics and health instruction classes.

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3. Have pupils write their names on their tickets. First graders can letter their first names.

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Grade\_\_\_

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ber of meals served. Sort tickets by grades, fasten each group with a rubber band, and return them to the classrooms. (This work can be done by the manager or someone assigned by her.)

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# To Make Playgrounds Safer

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Director, Physical Education, Safety and Youth Services Branch Los Angeles City Schools

as told to WILLIAM C. RIVERA

Assistant Public Information Supervisor, Los Angeles City Schools

I T WAS one of those typical Southern California days, of which our local chamber of commerce is so proud, that afternoon when I received a phone call from one of our west side elementary schools

I did not know it at the time, but that phone call began a chain reaction that has cost the Los Angeles city schools thousands of dollars, has resulted in countless hours of concentrated work for many members of our system's business and educational staff and me, and has led to the adoption of a program of playground safety surfacing by our board of education, the cost of which will be nearly \$2 million before its completion.

"A 6 year old child fell off a swing onto the blacktop at our child care center and has been taken to the hospital," a staff member informed me. The child had suffered a fatal concussion.

The incident that educators are constantly working to avert yet dread will happen at any moment—the serious injury to a child on a school playground—had happened.

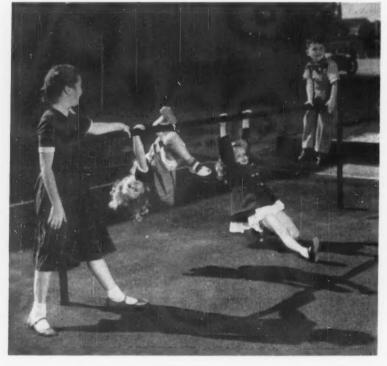
Next day the Los Angeles papers carried large headlines, "CHILD DIES IN SCHOOL BLACKTOP FALL." This accident was the second fatality on a Los Angeles school playground within a period of four years; both had happened on the asphaltic concrete—or so-called blacktop—surfacing.

Public reaction to these incidents brought to a sharp focus in Los Angeles a problem which has been the concern for many years of boards of education throughout the country. Many attempts have been made to find the proper type of surfacing on playgrounds and under playground apparatus. Like other educators and recreation departments from coast to coast, we in the Los Angeles system had been hard at work trying to solve this problem.

First of our accomplishments toward this end was inaugurated in 1931 because of numerous requests from the community. All sand under apparatus was removed from elementary school playgrounds with the exception of sand in primary sandboxes, Many factors were involved in the decision, but the two chief reasons were the "large number of accidents" and "unhealthful conditions."

Five years later, in 1936, the ever present problem of dust on play-

For four years Los Angeles has been experimenting with various types of surfacing to be placed under apparatus; two types seem to be satisfactory.



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BRANCHES IN ALL PRINCIPAL CITIES grounds was brought to the attention of the board of education by members of the grand jury. It was their feeling that this dust was a menace to the health of the children and teachers and adversely affected the cleanliness of schools.

As a result staff members responsible for physical education and playground activity recommended a long-term program of blacktopping of school playgrounds.

Although one of the major reasons for this move was to better community relations, blacktopping was well accepted by principals, teachers, maintenance personnel, pupils and parents.

To date the program has resulted in the blacktopping of more than 90 per cent of our 377 elementary school playgrounds.

Any apprehensions that might have existed as to the safety factor of asphaltic material turned out to be unfounded. From 1940-41, when the program was begun, to 1949, 20 million square feet of playground area were covered with the blacktop hard surfacing. Yet the accident rate, as determined by the National Safety

Council formula, was actually lowered to 1.3 apparatus accidents per 100,000 student days from the 1.4 high point in 1931-32.

The program of the Los Angeles city schools involves some 300 million hours of student activity, with some 90 million of these hours being expended in physical education activity on the playgrounds.

Our records show that an average Los Angeles elementary school has one recordable accident each seven and one-half school days. A recordable accident, regardless of the nature of the injury, by National Safety Council definition, is one that causes a pupil to lose one-half day or more of school or to visit a doctor other than a school physician.

Further broken down, this figure means that one of our elementary school pupils would be expected to have a recordable accident each 35 years of school attendance and a fracture or concussion accident each 412 years

These statistics, viewed in the light of stringent supervision and instruction in proper use of apparatus, make it difficult to see how much improvement could be accomplished.

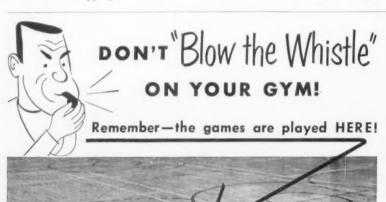
However, even one accident is too many, and, because of violation of safety practices, loss of grip, and immature judgment, pupils were involved in accidents on school playground apparatus.

It was the problem of these accidents, uncommon and scattered as they were, that made us decide to begin a new program of experimentation. Our goal was to find a material for use under apparatus that would provide a greater degree of safety and yet would have great durability and a low maintenance cost.

### EXPERIMENTS STARTED

With this in mind, the Los Angeles city school staff went to work during the 1947-48 school year. In its initial stages the experiments included such obvious materials as cork and various forms and types of rubber. The scope of this first program consisted of 43 installations of 22 different materials in various schools. A record of experience and accident statistics was carefully kept on a day-to-day basis.

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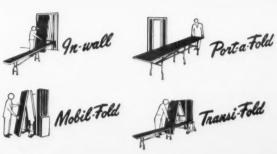
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Layers of cork also proved inadequate, for the surface just did not stand the constant scuffling of children's feet. Pelletized rubber mixtures, which had been compounded with the asphaltic base, soon became loose and gave way, creating furrows in the surface.

Despite our initial findings, our experimentation continued.

Then came that phone call—and with it the chain reaction of news-

paper stories, editorials, aroused community groups, and demands that our millions of square feet of asphaltic pavement immediately be scraped off school playgrounds.

Our board of education was quick to meet the challenge. Realizing the importance of the problem, the board, in May 1951, acted in a manner that could result in nothing but favorable public reaction. It voted to form a citizens advisory committee and by this gesture enabled the entire community to focus its forces on the problem and aid the Los Angeles schools in arriving at a solution.

#### COMMITTEE INVESTIGATES

The committee was composed of parents, civic and religious leaders, professional experts, and school personnel. These people were instructed to investigate the problem and make recommendations for action to the city board of education.

The group had almost a score of meetings during the summer months. In late August it presented three recommendations to the board of education. The three, in addition to a blanket endorsement of blacktopping

as the best surfacing for playgrounds, were:

1. That some temporary expedient be used as an immediate answer to the problem of a more resilient surface under apparatus.

2. That certain types of apparatus which were conducive to accidents be inactivated until further study could be made.

3. That experimentation be continued in order to determine the most suitable surface for use underneath apparatus.

The board of education immediately acted. Before school opened sand-boxes were placed under low bars, horizontal ladders, traveling rings, and multiple climbing trees. Swings, slides and climbing poles were removed and stored. Money was allocated for continuance of the experimentation program.

It was during this same period that several large industries became interested in our project. They offered us various materials and combinations of materials to be used in the experi-

Fourteen elementary school installations of these newer materials, which were specifically engineered for this purpose and thus were of a more complex nature, were made in the year following the advisory committee report.

Meanwhile, an interesting development was noted in the use of sand-boxes under existing equipment. Despite the fact that less apparatus was in use the total number of accidents on the school playground did *not* decrease.

#### SAND CREATES HAZARD

Instead, our compilations showed that these accidents were now more heavily concentrated in areas where the apparatus was placed. Some of the accidents were caused by sand displaced from the boxes, while still others were being caused by the additional hazard presented by the wooden sides of the boxes. In addition, the work of already overloaded custodians was increased by the necessity of sweeping and returning sand to the boxes.

These reasons soon led us to conclude that sand was far from the best answer for protective surfacing underneath apparatus.

Finally in June of 1953, two new types of protective material which had been installed for more than a year



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gave indications of being a solution to the problem. These installations had been closely observed so that we could determine their suitability and durability

One of these, which was composed of a ½ inch rubber pad with ¾ inch air cells on the under surface, was quite promising. The pad came in interlocking blocks, the upper surface was resistant to wear, and the air cell principle provided some decelerative quality. Moreover, the thickness of the membrane forming the air cells could be varied, resulting in different degrees of deceleration.

The interlocking blocks could be installed directly on the playground surface, and the sections could be bound together with surrounding tapered blacktop ramp. Its price was quite reasonable. Incidentally, a pilot installation of this material which required vulcanization of the lap joints had been made previously, but it had proved too costly for general use.

Our experience with the five plots of interlocking blocks installed now covers four years. Our findings show that the upper surface gives excellent footing, is almost impervious to wear, and has not appreciably deteriorated from the effects of sun and weather. The air cells provide a distinct cushioning effect although a heavy individual "strikes bottom," whereas a light individual cannot depress the upper surface to any appreciable extent.

However, we are concerned with the effect of the heat which is transmitted through the block pad to the asphaltic surface beneath. A recent inspection showed that the edges of the cells were cutting into the blacktop as the heat softened and drew the tars from the base. Some effectiveness of the air cells was dissipated underneath the pad by the absorption of the tars and the accumulation of dirt within the air cells.

#### GIVES MOST PROMISE

Still another product, consisting of three layers of material and especially engineered for providing protection underneath apparatus, has been installed at nine schools. The original plot has been in use for four and onehalf years and gives the most promise of any product that we have tried.

Each of its component parts is especially designed for a specific purpose.

The underneath layer, which is of ground degenerated rubber, may be varied in thickness to supply different degrees of deceleration. The middle layer of resin treated fabric serves to hold the cushioning material in place, gives added strength, and distributes the force of the impact over a wider area. The outer coating provides a wearing surface as well as protection from the elements and is the expendable factor, as it may be renewed easily and at low cost.

A recent inspection of the original installation of this product revealed that it had not changed to any appreciable degree in more than four years of hard usage. Of all the materials tested, this product gives the most promise of affording the required deceleration, low maintenance cost, and long life.

In addition, this material may be installed directly upon asphalt or concrete. It binds directly to its base, becoming virtually air and water tight, and presents no inequalities of surfacing. The tough outer skin readily discourages investigation by curious children.

This type of safety surfacing is one of the most expensive of our experimental materials. Initial cost must, of course, be examined in relation to many other factors, and it is likely that its "circus net" type of deceleration, the apparent durability and low maintenance cost features, and its trouble free daily operation actually represent a lower unit cost.

#### INSTALLATION TO BEGIN

Our experimentation still continues. However, it has now arrived at the point where the board of education and members of the staff of the Los Angeles city schools feel that a program of installation throughout the system can get under way.

As a result, a total of \$1 million was sought—and approved—as one of the features of a \$133 million bond issue for school construction voted by school district citizens last year.

This sum will not provide for installation of safety surfacing at all 377 of our elementary schools, but it is a substantial step toward our goal.

Our only hope is that the countless hours spent, the many dollars expended, and the endless headaches suffered in arriving at these findings will serve but one purpose — providing optimum playground protection for our country's school children.

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# Making Sense Out of the School Administrator's Job

Book Review by SAMUEL E. FLEMING

Superintendent of Schools, Seattle

ADMINISTRATION AS EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP. By John A. Bartky, professor of education, Stanford University Stanford, Calif.: Stanford University Press. 1956. Pp. 266. \$4.75.

In 250 well written, provocative pages of "Administration as Edutional Leadership," Dr. Bartky tries to make sense out of the job of the hard pressed school administrator. The uncertainties of the job, the complexities and illogical aspects begin to fall into some order and understanding as the author makes his long and broad experience intelligent to the man who is struggling to make the parts of the puzzle, which confronts him as he tries to get things done, fit together.

Dr. Bartky does not offer a static picture but a moving picture. He takes the neophyte by the hand and directs the eager feet of the experienced administrator to where the line of battle ebbs and flows. He who is fainthearted had better stay right where he is

The dynamic leadership about which Dr. Bartky speaks is not easily attained. It comes through "blood, sweat and tears," and promises no ultimate, never-to-be-arrived-at goal of complacency. It comes not only with experience built around trial and error but through a study of the job utilizing all the sciences that in any way make the results of practice more predictable.

#### WELTER OF UNCERTAINTY

Dr. Bartky accompanies the wayfaring administrator up precipitous hillsides of disaffection into green valleys of understanding, on to where the path loses itself in a welter of uncertainty. He helps his confused follower see his part in the rôle of leadership —whether the authoritarian at one end of the arc, the laissez faire at the other, or, in the middle, the democratic way.

This is no road, no companion for the self-made educational leader who contends that he has just naturally learned his rôle as an educational leader. Proud of his maker, he needs no book learning to help sharpen up the tools of his leadership. Hasn't he lived a long time and had such a long experience that the mind of man knows not the beginning? He is sure his experience has been long and varied, perhaps long in that he has slipped over the same experience many times, each time with less to show for the slip.

#### NO VACUUM

Educational leadership cannot work in a vacuum, in isolation. It is through the medium of others, whom the administrator organizes and directs, that the objectives of leadership and organization are achieved. He must recognize the drives that trigger human behavior in group relationships. He must not hesitate when decision is vital, must not utilize the democratic process to avoid the responsibility for a decision of his own.

Educational leadership, we learn by observation, is built around sincerity in the processes of leadership, humility in wearing the badge of leadership, and an unwillingness to expose members of the command to hazards the leader himself is unwilling or unready to face.

Dr. Bartky has no easy prescription for those who aspire to educational leadership. Such leadership is not a cloak to put on and take off. It is of the essence of personality itself, offering rewards to him who is prepared to pay the price in study of his job and those sciences that buttress it: long hours in activities, social and

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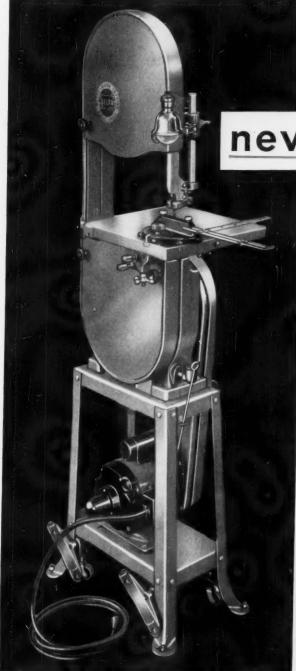
"Educators and education are under attack as they have been from time immemorial. The history of education is little more than an account of abused educators and banned philosophies of education. The educationist who has not been purified by public persecution is not an educator.

The present-day attack upon education is a little different-more generally violent, perhaps, but less personal than earlier attacks. The modern society does not poison its Socrates or crucify its Christ; it poisons its pen points and crucifies reputations. Its fulminations are directed more against educational theories than against educators. This is small comfort, but it may, nonetheless, be taken as an encouraging sign. Perhaps after two or three hundred years, people are begining to use a little more reason, even though their technics of criticism often remain primitive."

What is the rôle of the true educational leader as he comes to the defense of his school against those who speak out to destroy it? Must he defend all, even to the minutiae, which are included in the attack? Can he not depend on truth to be his shield against the arrows of unreasoning hate allegations?

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By EDGAR FULLER

### Shortage of scientists

▶ Voices calling attention to a national shortage of scientists and engineers are reaching a loud and slightly shrill crescendo. Speakers everywhere are dramatizing it. Newspapers, magazines, television and radio feature selected sensational tidbits. Misinformation, half-truths and factual appraisals are jumbled together and eventually will have to be untangled, but this is our national way of calling attention to something that worries us.

The basic cause is national insecurity. We cannot afford to fall behind in science and technology. The basic need is better education, a comparatively unglamorous subject but one that has had much attention lately. Preparation for peace may be quite as important as preparation for war, but we must have both. We must have both within the framework of our educational system, because we could not successfully imitate a totalitarian system even if we desired to do so. Yet there is more than a little danger that we may seize upon quick and plausible solutions which in some ways imitate totalitarian technical training systems.

In any event, educators have a special responsibility to clarify the facts about how the nation stands in scientific education, to use whatever practicable short-term expedients are available, and to initiate long-term educational programs that will lead to national security as well as to public reassurance.

### Clarifying facts

► Washington educators in close touch with the facts about scientific education in the elementary and secondary schools throughout the country are amazed by sensational statements being made by highly placed persons. They both exaggerate the supposed virtues of foreign education and dep-

recate our own. After such stories have been repeated a few times they grow so wondrous that efforts to get at the facts are likely to be shouted down.

Executive Secretary Robert H. Carleton of the National Science Teachers Association, for example, has questioned the validity of recent assertions by such people as Chairman Lewis L. Strauss of the Atomic Energy Commission, Director Alan T. Waterman of the National Science Foundation, Columnist Dorothy Thompson, Benjamin Fine of the New York Times. Ansel E. Talbert of the New York Herald-Tribune, and former Sen. William Benton. The last, for instance, repeats the untrue statement that, . . last year, for the 28,000 high schools of the United States, we produced only 125 new teachers of physics." Then he proceeds to sell a scare story like soap.

Another person who has too little time or opportunity to explain vital facts to the speakers and writers who need them is Kenneth E. Brown, mathematics specialist in the U.S. Office of Education. He has indirectly refuted some of the current false assumptions by reciting factual materials with which educators should be familiar in "National Enrollments in High School Science," published in the March 1956 issue of Science Teacher.

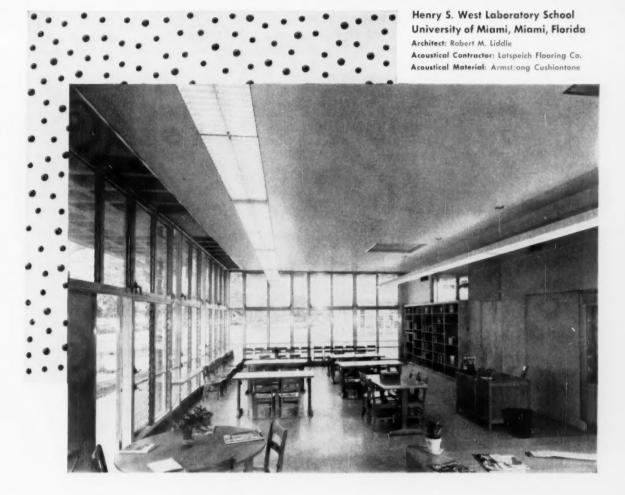
Those who deprecate our school system (and glorify the near-monolithic system of Russia as much as they dare) usually fail to take into account the fact that nearly all persons of high school age in our country are now in school while only a minor fraction of their age group attended school a few decades ago. When a speaker says 19 per cent of high school students enrolled in physics in 1900 contrasted with only 4.6 per cent in 1954, an entirely different impression is left than when one says with equal accuracy that there were 98,846 high

school physics students in 1900 and 302,800 in 1954.

On the basis of a 10 per cent random sample of public high schools, Mr. Brown estimates that 23.5 per cent of high school graduates in 1954 had a course in physics; that enrollment in chemistry was 482,700, or 31.9 per cent, of all 11th grade pupils; that 1,204,500, or 64.5 per cent, of ninth graders enrolled in elementary algebra; that 644,100, or 37.4 per cent, of all 10th graders enrolled in geometry. In 1900, biology was not taught as a high school subject at all, but in 1954 indicated enrollment was more than 1.200.-000. It seems clear that there has been increased teaching of science in recent years. Not enough, perhaps, but the facts are far different than the sensationalists make them appear to be.

Another misleading technic is to state the percentage of high schools not offering physics or chemistry. It may not occur to most readers or listeners that these are the smallest high schools. It should be known that the latest data show that the 50 per cent of the high schools that are smallest enroll less than 11 per cent of all high school students. The remaining 89 per cent of the total enrollment is in the 50 per cent of the high schools that are largest, and most of these students have adequate opportunities in science and mathematics. Even more surprising is the fact that more than one-half of all high school students attend the 10.8 per cent of high schools which are largest and which have excellent programs in these fields.

While the present situation is in fact far better than is advertised, there are nevertheless numerous real deficiencies that should be attacked with vigor. Most of these deficiencies are found in all parts of the instructional program, however, and care must be exercised lest we undermine major strengths of the entire school system in the process of isolating science for



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### Expedients

▶ A number of plans have been offered to help the schools produce more scientists. A good illustration is that proposed by Gen. David Sarnoff of the Radio Corporation of America to increase the supply of high school science teachers. He would release scientists and engineers from industry to teach in local schools for periods of a year or longer. The plan shows an excellent spirit of cooperation by industry and could be temporarily helpful in many localities. It would partly

compensate for past employment of science teachers in industry and make other industrial leaders more sensitive to the undesirability of stripping the schools of science teachers.

Circumstances, however, probably foreclose long-term dependence on lend-lease arrangements with industry. Schools needing most help are often distant from the supplying plants and research laboratories. The companies would not only lose the services of badly needed scientists and engineers but would also have to pay salary differentials, and only great enthusiasm can make this sort of sacrifice permanent in most corporations.

Unless the temporary teachers had previously taught high school students, many educational problems would be likely to arise which might make the work difficult and undesirable for both teachers and students. Such problems could be much less formidable for recruits from industry, however, than for retired military officers and other supplementary personnel often suggested. In any event, General Sarnoff's plan and any other reasonable expedients should be given full and fair trials by school administrators.

#### Federal interest

► Since the source of concern about the supply of scientists and engineers lies primarily in national defense, it is not surprising that the federal government has already taken strong action.

The National Science Foundation was created in 1950. After a slow start, its budget has been increased from \$16,000,000 in 1956 to a probable \$35,916,000 for 1957. Thus far the Foundation has given most of its attention to research at advanced levels, but it may soon accelerate its impacts on secondary education. Without any statutory admonition not to interfere with state and local autonomy in education, the Foundation is directed by statute ". . . to develop and encourage the pursuit of a national policy for the promotion of basic research and education in the sciences." This is a very broad grant of power.

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Last year Representative Davidson of New York introduced a bill to appropriate up to \$250,000 annually to enable the U.S. Commissioner of Education to finance the preparation, publication and distribution of science teaching manuals for supplementary use in elementary and secondary

The Davidson bill said that "... current progress in scientific fields is so rapid that it is impracticable for elementary and secondary schools to change textbooks with sufficient frequency to keep pace with new developments." No hearings were held on this bill.

On February 22 Senators Kerr, Mc-Namara and Monroney introduced a bill which, if seriously considered, would bring the federal potentialities in this field home to all educators. They propose that science be added to the subjects covered by the George Barden vocational education law of 1946, with an annual appropriation of ... \$10 million for education in the various fields of science (including mathematics) essential to vocational education . . . to encourage and prepare for further scientific training in order to supply the nation's scientific manpower needs."

Under this bill every state would have to prepare a "state science plan" to qualify for funds. The U.S. Office of Education would be allowed \$200,-000 annually to administer the act. It is unlikely that hearings on it will be held, because it is known that most educators will react negatively. The bill would authorize a special federal subsidy for a special part of the curriculum and define federal interest in high school science instruction as a part of vocational education.

Last month a subcommittee on research and development of the congressional joint committee on atomic energy issued a report entitled "Engineering and Scientific Manpower in the United States, Western Europe, and Soviet Russia." In his preface, Chairman Melvin Price of Illinois urges federal spending for this special purpose and appears at the same time to imply that federal grants to education are bad. He concludes, "Only the

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Chairman Price will soon hold hearings "to dramatize to the public" the shortage of scientific personnel and to explore ways for the federal government to meet the shortage. It is hoped that the relationship of the elementary and secondary schools to the sources of scientific personnel can be established during these hearings.

### Long-term programs

Most educators seem to believe that the basic approaches to more and better scientists are the same as those that would result in better elementary and secondary schools generally: (1) salaries and status for teachers that will lead competent young people to enter and to remain in science teaching in spite of the lures of industry; (2) emphasis on pupil guidance to encourage interest in scientific subjects and particularly to reduce the dropout rate in high schools; (3) reorganization of school districts with new construction of larger schools to ensure more adequate science laboratories and science curriculums.

At the college level, the principal improvements needed are believed to be: (1) scholarships to encourage more competent students to attend colleges and universities; (2) more attractive and effective programs of instruction in science and engineering to reduce the current drop-out rate in those fields.

Of these approaches, the most neglected have been those relating to the elementary and secondary schools. Research scientists, university administrators, and governmental agencies have not often concerned themselves constructively with dealing with the problems of the schools which are their basic sources of personnel supply. Now, when that supply appears to be at least temporarily inadequate, they cannot afford to become proponents of educationally unsound plans that may in the long run weaken rather than strengthen the schools. They are probably cooperating better than ever before with school agencies.

College graduating classes are growing larger as the low birth rate years of the 1930's fade into the past, and the large age-groups of the postwar years will soon be in high school. Perhaps we have the necessary scientific personnel in sight if we will utilize all our human resources. To illustrate, a revision of military draft rules could save much scientific personnel for science, and not all fully trained personnel is used to best advantage in industry and government.

In our zeal to produce more scientists and engineers, we need to take other educational needs into account. It may be that science and engineering should be willing to compete for the most competent high school graduates on an equal basis with other fields. No one can be certain that the priorities a few years from now will not be for persons who can speak Chinese and Russian fluently, or who understand the culture we desire to preserve, or who know how to educate or re-educate populations. Totalitarians have habitually overemphasized technology and underemphasized how it should be used in human society. Let us strike a balance between complacency and hysteria, and attack the shortage of scientists along with other problems by strengthening schools and colleges for all their functions.

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# **NEWS IN REVIEW**

# Federal Milk Program Expanded by New Law

WASHINGTON, D.C. — On April 2 President Eisenhower signed a revised version of the bill "to increase the consumption of fluid milk by children."

There are two principal differences between this and the previous law which has been in effect since September 1954. Funds for the current year were increased from \$50 million to \$60 million and for each of the following two years further increased to \$75 million.

The new law has also increased the number of children eligible to receive milk. In addition to those in school, needy children in special welfare institutions are now included.

Educational circles here believe that administrative headaches are certain in defining who are "underprivileged" and in allocating funds to "nonprofit nursery schools, child care centers, settlement houses, summer camps, and similar nonprofit institutions . . . devoted to the care and training of underprivileged children on a special welfare or charitable basis."

# Urges Scholarship Plan for Increase in College Educated

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The number of capable students who do not attend college constitutes a serious national problem, asserts Elmer D. West, author of the recent study, "Background for a National Scholarship Policy." He proposes that a generous scholarship program would help to alleviate the situation.

Mr. West's study, conducted under the auspices of the American Council on Education, showed that despite the critical manpower shortage in the U.S. "perhaps half of the top 25 per cent of high school graduates do not attend college."

One estimate of money needed to attract students who do not attend college for financial reasons was placed at \$200 million. Current estimates of available scholarship funds range from \$30 million to \$55 million annually, the report said.

Dr. West outlined the functions of an adequate scholarship program as follows: (1) to identify the talented NAMELESS, KAN. -

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student early, and to make this information known to appropriate agencies; (2) to inspire the talented to want the maximum intellectual development possible (calling for cooperation and improved activity by guidance personnel, teachers, colleges and community organizations), and (3) to develop procedures by which those who are qualified and who want a higher education can get it.

#### To Appeal Loyalty Law to Illinois Supreme Court

CHICAGO. — An injunction against the Illinois Broyles law requiring teachers to sign a loyalty oath has been denied by Circuit Judge Miner. Said the judge: "It cannot be claimed that the government is powerless to protect itself from possible espionage by its employes, including teachers, until they are actually exposed and upon us."

Two Chicago teachers who refused to sign the oath have appealed the case to the Illinois supreme court. Commenting on the appeal, Sara Pickus, one of the teachers, said: "Some men believe the way to meet the clear and present danger of Communist totalitarianism is by demonstrating our own lack of faith in freedom. I do not. From my reading of Supreme Court cases, some Supreme Court justices agree with me."

# White House Committee Recommends Doubling of School Expenditures

WASHINGTON, D.C. — American taxpayers must realize that decent schools are going to cost them approximately twice as much as they've been spending. Teachers' salaries should eventually be doubled; they should receive substantial increases immediately. "Basic health and safety services" should be provided to students in parochial and other private schools "at public expense."

In fact, total spending for schools in the U.S. should be boosted to \$20 billion a year "within the next decade," according to recommendations of the 34 member White House Committee on Education. The committee, appointed by President Eisenhower last year, submitted its 50,000 word report to him April 6.

Neil McElroy, president of Procter & Gamble Co., was chairman of the committee. The report contained 79 specific recommendations in six areas.

The committee also recommended emergency federal aid to states to build about 200,000 new classrooms as fast as possible. "In the richest nation in all history, there is no valid reason for the grimy dilapidated and overcrowded school buildings which too

many children now occupy," the report said. It called for "a new look at the entire question of how much money this society should spend on education."

In recommending increased spending for education, the committee pointed out that "the schools have become the chief instrument for keeping this nation the fabled land of opportunity it started out to be. . . . It is primarily the schools which allow no man's failure to prevent the success of his sons."

Other issues examined in the report included segregation, the place of religious education in public schools, and the rôle of athletics. The majority of Americans want to abolish segregation, the report said, but this cannot be achieved "with equal speed in all areas . . . it must be worked out by each community in its own way, within the framework of existing legal structures and the . . . Supreme Court decisions."

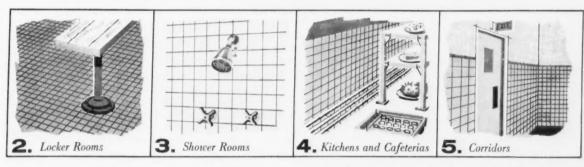
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#### Student Teachers to Observe High School Classes on TV

MINNEAPOLIS. — Teachers-to-be at the University of Minnesota will watch high school classes in action over closed-circuit TV in the near future. The university is initiating a three-year experiment in which customary field observation will be replaced by live or kinescoped TV classes.

Selected students planning to enter high school teaching will participate in the project. The program will be financed in part by a grant of \$14,266 from the Fund for the Advancement of Education.

According to Prof. Robert J. Keller, project director, preliminary experimentation has shown that student observers prefer it to other methods of observation. The attention seems better directed than is the case with live class observation, he said.

### David D. Henry, Vice President of Higher Education Committee

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Eisenhower has named David Dodds Henry, president of the University of Illinois, vice chairman of the President's committee on education beyond high school.

Devereaux Colt Josephs, New York insurance executive, was named chairman. The committee has been appointed to "lay before us all the problems of education beyond the high school and to encourage active and systematic attack on them," the President said.

# To Test Enriched Program for Acceleration of Students

AUSTIN, TEX. — A unique plan to allow gifted high school students to begin capitalizing early on their special abilities will be tested this summer at the University of Texas.

A selected group of students will be invited to a six weeks' university summer session between their junior and senior years. During the session, advanced studies, not available at the high school level, will be provided, and students will be given an understanding of what they need to reach the top in their special field of in-

It is expected that students will be able to use their senior year more

profitably after having had the enriched courses.

On entering college, the students would be allowed to accelerate their course work by passing examinations which would exempt them from certain studies. Credit for the courses would be given, however, allowing the students to graduate from college more quickly.

In announcing the program, L. D. Haskew, dean of the college of education, said he believed that it would be applicable to virtually all fields. The pilot project this summer will be restricted to chemistry students.

### Names Group to Study Scientific Manpower Supply

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Eisenhower last month appointed a committee to find ways of increasing America's scientific manpower. The President said that American technological superiority "is now seriously challenged by those who use science for aggression and conquest."

The new group, known as the National Committee for the Development of Scientists and Engineers, has been asked by the president to analyze the problems connected with developing more highly trained scientific personnel; to enlist the cooperation of interested individuals and groups in dealing with these problems, and to publicize the problem and possible solutions in order to stimulate public understanding and support.

Howard Landis Bevis, president of Ohio State University, will serve as chairman of the new committee, which includes representatives of the field of engineering, science, education, management, labor, state and local government, and the humanities. Arthur S. Adams, president of the American Council on Education; Irwin Stewart, president of the American Association of Land-Grant Colleges and State Universities; J. Lester Buford, president of the N.E.A.; Robert Stollberg, president of the National Science Teachers Association, and Leland N. Drake, president of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, were named to represent the field of education.

Edgar Fuller, executive secretary of the Council of Chief State School Officers, will serve as a representative of the state and local government section of the committee.

### White House Committee Urges Doubled Expenditures

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indicated that athletic programs should be "controlled so that they serve young people rather than use them" to build up a school or a community's competitive standing.

The committee praised the nation's educators for doing a good job with what they have. "There is far more to be proud of in today's schools than there is to criticize. Their weaknesses usually stem from a lack of means, rather than any defect in their goal."

The committee also supported a broadened school curriculum, including safety, vocational and music courses, health services and organized recreational and social activities. However, quality of teaching must not be sacrificed for a quantity of different courses, it pointed out.

Most school districts are too small, the committee said, calling for "major reforms" in district organization. The committee suggested that money, except for local funds, might be withheld from districts that do not organize on an efficient basis after a reasonable time.

The final report of the committee was based on a 16 months' survey of the nation's schools organized by the committee. It also included results of the White House Conference.

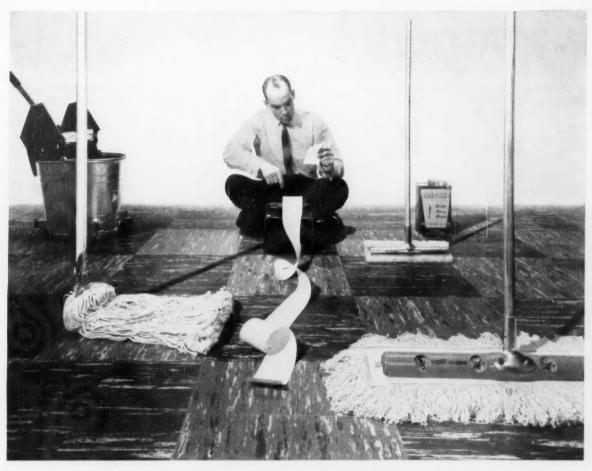
### Says Church Schools Superior; Wants No Tax Money for Them

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Archbishop of Philadelphia John F. O'Hara assailed methods of education in the public schools and declared he did not want tax money for parochial schools in a recent address here.

Speaking to the eighth annual Catholic Teachers Institute here, the prelate said Catholic schools are doing a superior job to what he called "washedout education" in public schools.

The archbishop stated he would not accept one cent of tax money for parochial schools in his jurisdiction.

"I hope the day will soon come when Catholics will recognize the fact that in their own tradicions they have not only the philosophy but the methods and the record of achievement that make them independent of the empirical systems of education that are falling apart all over the United States," he said.



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#### Yonkers to Get State Aid; Survey of Schools Urged

ALBANY, N.Y. — State Commissioner of Education James E. Allen Jr. has decided that the city of Yonkers will receive its full allotment of state aid, some \$2.5 million, for the year 1956.

Dr. Allen said he is satisfied that the schools are being improved but asserted that he was not fully convinced that the city's program was adequate. He called for a report to be made January I on the educational program for 1956 and on plans for 1957.

His predecessor, Dr. Lewis A. Wilson, had threatened last year to withhold all state funds unless the city's budget provided for an adequate school program.

However, in a statement regarding the decision, the commissioner strongly urged that a comprehensive survey of the school problem in Yonkers be made. A survey to be directed by the state department of education and jointly financed by the city of Yonkers and the state is being considered.

#### Censure of Five Universities Asked by Professors Group

NEW YORK. — Attempts to curb the academic freedom of teachers have made the teaching profession seem less attractive to intelligent young men and women, charged a recent committee report of the American Association of University Professors.

In a 58 page statement, the committee also called for censure of five colleges and universities for alleged violations of academic freedom and tenure. The University of California, Ohio State University, Rutgers University, Temple University and Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia were criticized for having dismissed faculty members who pleaded the Fifth Amendment before congressional investigating committees or refused to cooperate with the committees. Five other colleges are still under investigation.

In any dismissal proceeding, the committee said, action should be based on the teacher's whole record and conduct, rather than on any specific act or association. It held that pleading of the Fifth Amendment was not sufficient to justify dismissal. The committee also condemned loyalty oaths.

Howard L. Bevis, president of Ohio State University, took issue with the association on the grounds that it had published a finding concerning the university "without notice, without hearing, and without knowledge of many important facts." He also stated that the university took issue with the premise that firing a Communist teacher violated academic freedom.

The recommendation that the University of California be censured in connection with its long loyalty oath controversy was described as "unjustified and singularly inappropriate at this time," by Clark Kerr, chancellor of the Berkeley campus. Dr. Robert Gordon Sproul, president, said that the issue of back pay for faculty members dismissed and later reinstated had been settled by negotiation. This issue was stressed in the committee report, he said.

Spokesmen for the other three universities declined comment on the committee's recommendations.



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#### Asks Control of Junior High Interscholastic Activities

URBANA-CHAMPAIGN, ILL.-Junior high school interscholastic competition needs the same kind of regulation that is exercised over high school competition, Prof. J. Lloyd Trump of the University of Illinois said recently.

Dr. Trump recommended that a board of control, similar to that of the Illinois High School Association, be established in the state. The board, he pointed out, would prevent exploitation of young athletes by exercising rigid control over interschool competitions. Other interscholastic events, such as music and speech contests, also would be regulated by it, he said

Dr. Trump spoke to some 500 junior high and elementary school principals attending a conference on extraclass activities at the University of Illinois

He also recommended that junior high schools emphasize intramural rather than interscholastic competitions. In interscholastic competition, he said, more teams should be used, and there should be fewer games per

#### Foreign Relations Program to Be Tried in High Schools

CHICAGO. — Twenty-eight high schools in the Midwest will participate in an experimental program of foreign relations education being initiated this spring.

The program is being carried out by the North Central Association under a \$125,000 grant from the Ford Foundation. Among the objectives of the project is the development of comprehensive source materials on international relations that may be read and understood by high school students.

#### Public and Educators Air Views on Reading Methods

BRIDGEPORT, CONN. - Three Connecticut school systems cooperated with a near-by college of education recently to provide a public airing of controversies about reading methods and instruction.

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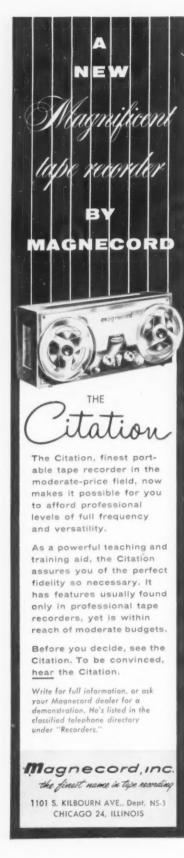
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#### Hold Teacher Placement Day at University of Illinois

URBANA-CHAMPAIGN, ILL.—Some 100 Illinois superintendents and principals interviewed a group of 250 prospective teachers here in the University of Illinois' first Teacher-Placement Day.

To allow a maximum number of interviews, the day's program was divided into three shifts. During each shift, senior students first talked with school officials selected for them by lot, and then with those from districts in which they were most interested.

The program will be expanded next year, according to J. L. Trump, head of teacher placement at the university. Both students and administrators found the experiment helpful, he said.

#### Pupil-Teacher Ratio Has Priority in Private Schools

BOSTON. — Private schools are also feeling the impact of today's large school age population. But, according to a report by Porter Sargent, publisher of a handbook for private schools, most private schools are not contemplating greatly enlarged enrollments.

Any growth in enrollment is being governed by the ability of schools to enlarge their facilities and teaching staffs.

The report points out that the major concern of the private school is to maintain high standards of education and a ratio of faculty members to students which helps to ensure these standards. For the last 10 years, the student-faculty ratio has remained fairly constant at 10.3 to 1 in the nation's leading private schools.

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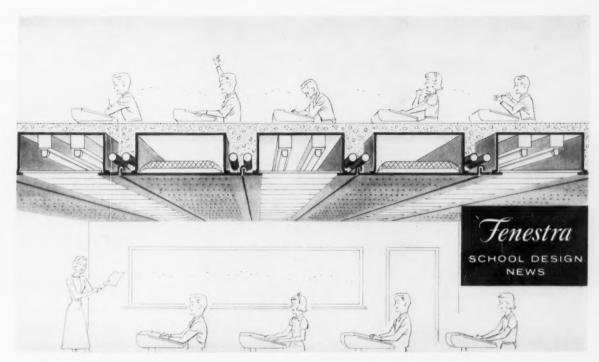
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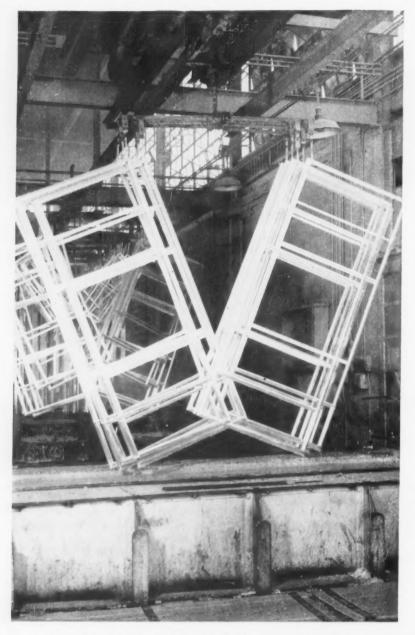


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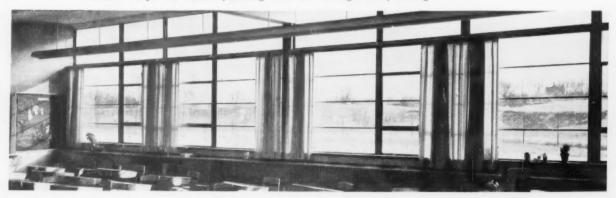


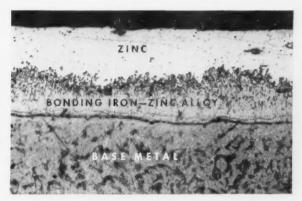
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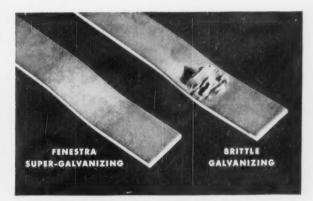
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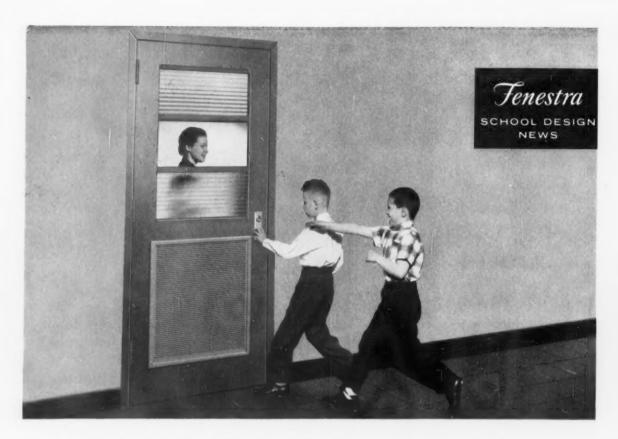
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#### Says Democracy in Education Must Be Clearly Understood

CINCINNATI. - Conflicts and problems in educational situations frequently arise from fuzzy thinking about freedom, responsibility and democracy, a specialist in student personnel asserted recently at a convention held here.

Speaking to the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors, M. Eunice Hilton, president, outlined some of the difficulties that may result from ill defined efforts to "be democratic.

Dean Hilton criticized the belief that individual freedom can be exercised irrespective of the rights and welfare of others. Students must be helped to learn that every right carries a corresponding responsibility; freedom can only be maintained, she pointed out, when individuals learn to care about and protect the freedom of others. It takes wisdom and courage for teachers to correct the

fuzzy thinking of students, when they try to carry out democratic ideals in their student life, she added.

Another misinterpretation of democracy, Dean Hilton said, is that no one in a democratic society should be any better than anyone else. The pressure to conform, to be like everyone else, often kills student initiative and leadership, she observed.

A third faulty understanding of democracy is that it requires that everyone in a group be responsible for everything about the group and have a part in all decisions concerning it. Democracy means that power is held by all the people collectively; however, it does not mean that everyone has the same rôle or participates in the management of the group in the same way, she pointed out.

The trend toward student participation in all phases of administration requires a clear understanding of the rôle of faculty, administration and students, Dean Hilton continued. The student's main responsibility should be to get an education, and the sharing of other responsibilities should not interfere with this goal; the major job of the faculty is to advance and impart knowledge through teaching and research; the administrators are basically responsibile for the conditions and facilities of learning, she

Some of the responsibilities may be delegated, but the delegations must be appropriate to the real rôle of the groups concerned.

"An endless amount of time and energy is being wasted in our schools in the name of democratic procedure, and not a little emotional distress is being caused by rôle confusion," Dean Hilton pointed out.

The association's convention was held here March 22 to 29. Katherine A. Towle, dean of women and associate dean of students, University of California at Berkeley, was named president-elect of the group.

#### Workshop Planned to Increase Supply of Science Teachers

NEW YORK. - A year-long workshop aimed at increasing the supply of well trained high school teachers of science will be initiated at Teachers College, Columbia University, this fall. The workshop is designed for professors at teacher education and liberal arts colleges that prepare sci-



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ence teachers. It will be given in cooperation with industry.

Participants in the workshop will revise and bring up to date science curriculums for use in high schools. Attention will also be given to making colleges and universities more aware of the scientific manpower shortage. Technics for identifying and recruiting gifted students for scientific careers will be developed.

Workshop members will study under fellowships made possible by corporations, foundations and the college. Cost of the program for the first year will be \$79,000, to be underwritten jointly by industry and the college.

One criterion for selecting fellowship candidates will be their "ability and willingness" to pass on their knowledge, said Frederick L. Fitzpatrick, head of the science department at the college. Fellows will be expected to establish new training programs for high school teachers at their own colleges, using the training materials and course which they helped to develop during the workshop.

## New Reading Association to Hold First Meeting

PHILADELPHIA.—The International Council for the Improvement of Reading Instruction and the National Association for Remedial Teaching have merged to form the new International Reading Association.

The group will hold its first annual meeting in Chicago May 11 and 12.

#### A.A.H.P.E.R. Considers Broad Meaning of Physical Fitness

CHICAGO. — Programs of physical education must meet the needs of the individual child and provide psychological satisfaction if they are effectively to promote physical fitness, Leonard Scheele, surgeon general of the U.S. Public Health Service, said recently.

Speaking before some 5000 delegates to the biennial convention of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation, Dr. Scheele pointed out that real physical fitness must be based on healthy development of physical, intellectual and emotional factors.

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has its origin in early childhood. The cooperation of all individuals and agencies concerned with health is necessary to control the early causes of disability, he added.

Another convention speaker stressed the importance of increased personal satisfaction through physical education. Robert J. Havighurst, professor of education and chairman of the committee on human development at the University of Chicago, pointed out that both physical health and physical appearance are important to an individual's happiness in America.

Dr. Havighurst said that physical education has three important jobs in relation to a person's well being: (1) to teach skills through physical training, correct diet, and use of cosmetics and grooming; (2) to give understanding of physical limitations and defects so that the best adjustment may be made to them, and (3) to prepare persons for the bodily changes that accompany growth and aging.

He stressed that understanding of bodily changes is particularly important in adolescence because there is a great deal of anxiety about physical development during this period. In high school programs, he said, the normal range of variability of individual development should be emphasized. Young people should be able to talk with someone who is trained to give reassurance and information about their concerns in this area, he added.

It is also important, Dr. Havighurst asserted, that high schools use criteria of skill and physical development in grouping students for physical education programs, so that students who are less skillful or whose development is slow may compete among themselves.

In the elementary school, Df. Havighurst said, the child should be helped to develop the physical skills needed for childhood activities. Wholesome attitudes and habits in relation to the care and use of the body and about sex also should be developed during this period, he said.

The importance of developing good dietary habits in children was emphasized at a school lunch section, offered by the association for the first time this year. Surveys have indicated

that only 35 per cent of America's school children have an adequate diet, according to standards established by the National Research Council, one panel member pointed out.

The panel agreed that if real changes in eating habits are to be achieved, the cooperation and education of parents are essential. A school principal described a program in which all school parents are invited to lunch at the school sometime during the school year, so that they will have a better understanding of the purpose of the lunch program. Other panel members mentioned consultation with parents about eating problems of particular children.

Classroom activities and discussion to implement and reinforce the natural learning in the lunch program were also stressed as essential to its success. The panel members discussed a number of ways in which students could actively participate in the planning and carrying out of menus, service and dietary education.

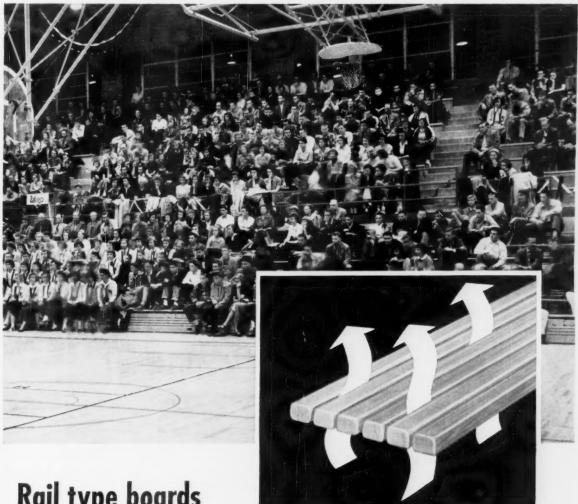
"I don't see how so many things I don't like can taste so good!" one little boy was reported to have said in comment on a meal he had helped to prepare.

Delegates and students attending the five-day meeting took part in more than 100 discussion meetings, workshops, clinics and demonstrations.

Officers installed at the closing session of the convention were: president, Ray O. Duncan, dean of the college of physical education, University of West Virginia; president-elect, Pattric Ruth O'Keefe, director of health and physical education department, Kansas City public schools, Kansas City, Mo.; vice president, health education division, Robert Yoho, Indiana State Board of Health, Indianapolis; vice president elect, health education division, Sarah Louise Smith, professor and head of health education, Florida State University; vice president, physical education division, Elmon L. Vernier, public schools, Baltimore; vice president-elect, physical education division, Arthur S. Daniels, professor of physical education, Ohio State University, Columbus; vice president, recreation division, John L. Hutchinson, Teachers College, Columbia University; vice president-elect, recreation division, Louis E. Means, consultant in school recreation, California State Department of Education, Sacramento.



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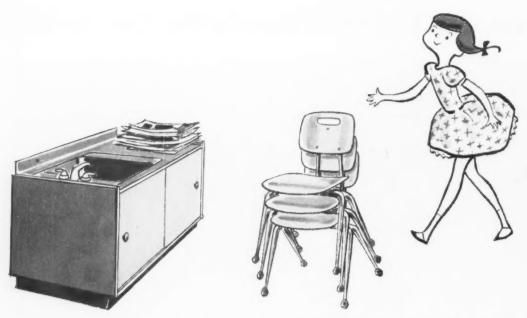
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As part of the five-week program, teachers will attend congressional sessions and have a chance to talk with officials in various departments and agencies of the government. Six colleges and universities will offer academic credit for participation in the N.E.A.'s first Washington seminar.

Eight general topics will be covered during the five weeks' session: rôle of the federal city; making federal law; promoting the general welfare; educating and informing citizens; safeguarding our national security; participating in world affairs; pushing back the frontiers of knowledge, and preserving and extending our heritage.

#### Teachers Study Methods for English, Social Studies

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—Poetry and the 14th Amendment were part of the agenda for secondary school teachers at conferences held here recently. Five hundred teachers attended the two separate but concurrent conferences on the teaching of English and the teaching of social studies, sponsored by Yale University's master of arts in teaching program.

At the social studies conference, attention was focused on methods of teaching the United Nations Charter, problems of American minorities, and the 14th Amendment. Writing and poetry were studied at the English

conference.

#### City Children Adjust Better to Early College Admission

New YORK.—Gifted students from metropolitan areas can skip their senior year in high school to enter college more easily than can their small town colleagues.

A recent report on the early admissions program instituted at Columbia University in 1951 showed that city youngsters are exposed to more interests than are those from the smaller town. They are more likely to be prepared to "start at the bottom of another ladder," said Quentin Anderson, adviser to the early admissions students at Columbia.

Under-age students from small town high schools are in general a poor risk for the challenging academic work of the college, the report indicated. Dr. Anderson pointed out that the experience of high school life looms large for these students, and they regret giving up the senior year, with all its social and personal pleasures.

Columbia is one of 11 liberal arts colleges participating in the early admission program, under the sponsorship of the Ford Foundation's Fund for the Advancement of Education.

#### Earn and Learn Basis of Teacher Training Plan

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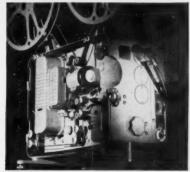




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#### Monthly Roundup on Integration Indicates Inevitability of Some Form of Compliance

WASHINGTON, D.C. — While extremists tossed the integration issue high as a political football, President Eisenhower, with deep feeling, called for moderation and patience in working toward gradual integration.

The President's plea for moderation came a few days after 96 Congressmen had signed a "Declaration of Constitutional Principles," pledging themselves to use "all lawful means" to reverse the Supreme Court's decision of 1954.

The Southern manifesto described the Supreme Court decision as an abuse of judicial power that ran contrary to established law and the Constitution and encroached upon the rights constitutionally reserved to the states.

Showing sympathy for the difficulties the South faced, the President, nevertheless, was firm in stating that the decision must be applied, gradually and without coercion. He called for creation of a bipartisan joint congressional committee, which would study the record of compliance with the decision and would have the power to subpoena witnesses.

Within the South itself, there is some indication that most states feel the inevitability of some form of compliance with the desegregation ruling. The findings of a team of *New York Times* reporters, who recently completed a five-week investigation in 17 southern states, showed that the majority of Southerners are resentful and confused over the segregation issue but wish to deal with it by legal means.

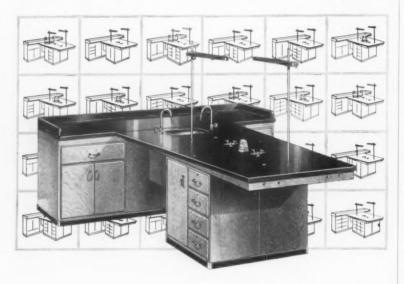
"While seeking adjustment, they are resisting drastic change by various devices to nullify, delay or moderate the impact of desegregation," the *Times* reported. "The commonest index to the degree of compliance is the ratio of Negro population to white in a given area. Where the ratio is low, integration is proceeding; where it is high, there is resistance."

Private school bills passed by the Georgia legislature permit the governor to close schools not eligible for state funds (i.e. because of mixed classes) and to make state funds available to individuals in such closed schools for purposes of education, and authorize local school boards to lease property for private school purposes.

In Mississippi, Gov. J. P. Coleman stated: "Mississippi will close any white public school or college forced by the courts to accept a Negro student." Bills passed by the legislature included the abolition of common law marriages, making children born in such marriages illegitimate. The law is expected to bolster the state's use of a 1954 pupil assignment law based

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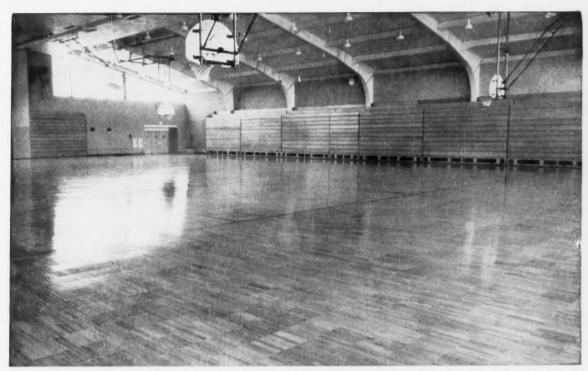
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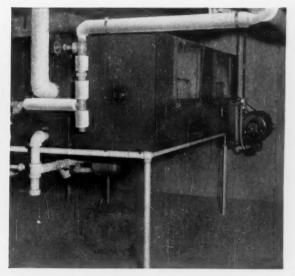
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(Continued From Page 152) on morals, health and welfare of the community. The compulsory school attendance law also was abolished.

A "freedom of choice" amendment to the *Alabama* state constitution was approved by the house and will be submitted to public vote in August. The amendment would provide for three separate school systems, Negro, white and mixed, and would also allow the abolition of the public school system if necessary to preserve peace and

order. Gov. J. E. Folsom allowed a nullification resolution adopted by the legislature to become law without his signature. At a special conference of educators and publishers Governor Folsom proposed a plan to create a bi-racial commission to help settle disputes growing out of the integration controversy.

The South Carolina legislature has unanimously adopted a resolution of protest which calls upon the states and Congress to prevent further en-

croachment upon the reserved powers of the states. "In the meantime," the resolution states, South Carolina "will exercise the powers reserved to it under the Constitution to judge for itself of the infractions and to take such other measures as it may deem appropriate to protect its sovereignty and the rights of its people."

By unanimous decision, a state constitutional convention in *Virginia* has approved an amendment to permit tuition grants from public funds to avoid compulsory school integration.

North Carolina's governor, Luther H. Hodges, in announcing his bid for reelection, stated that voluntary segregation is still working in that state, but that if it fails, he will propose tuition grants "along the lines of the Virginia proposal." "Our chief concern," he said, "is the preservation of our public schools for our children."

Segregation has become a major issue in *Florida's* May primary election for governor, despite Gov. LeRoy Collins' statement that "Florida cannot afford an orgy of race conflict and discord." All the gubernatorial candidates have announced their support of continuing segregation, and one, Sumter L. Lowery, is basing his entire campaign on the issue.

Further north, Wilmington, Del., announced that it will completely desegregate its schools in September. Wilmington is the largest school district in the state. All *Delaware* school districts have been asked to file with the state board of education their plans for integration or the reasons why they cannot integrate at this time. The state board of education has deferred action on a request from the Delaware counsel for the N.A.A.C.P. to demand immediate integration in eight school districts.

Desegregation developments in Tennessee were characterized by moderation. In Nashville, both city and county boards of education are considering plans for gradual integration. In Memphis, the Commercial Appeal called for the formation of an organization of "moderates" which would be "an effective barrier between the majority who want to live in a progressive and peaceful city and any small minority who might seek to impose radicalism of any sort on the rest of us." Gov. Frank G. Clements declined to comment on interposition but indicated that he would follow the advice of

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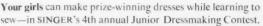
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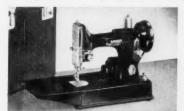
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Atty. Gen. George F. McCanless, who described the concept as "an empty word" with no legal status. However, a survey by the Commercial Appeal showed a growing interest in interposition in western Tennessee, where the state's largest concentration of Negroes is found.

Two regulations, making the maintenance of segregated schools difficult, have been passed by the Oklahoma State Board of Education. In January, the board approved a new rule combining legal average attendance of white and Negro children to determine the number of teachers for which state aid will be paid. New rules were more recently adopted on the payment of state aid for transporting pupils. Abolishing the old system of double transportation, which permitted students to be taken outside their districts to segregated schools, the new rule allows state aid for transportation only within the district. Districts wishing to continue segregated schools will have to foot the bill themselves, and it was predicted that few would be able to afford it.

#### School Systems, Harvard Sponsor Summer Session

CAMBRIDGE, MASS .- Five hundred Massachusetts school children are currently being selected to attend an unusual six-week summer school in this area. Pupils will represent a cross section of six Greater Boston school systems that are co-sponsoring the program in cooperation with the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Classes will be taught by 30 master teachers, selected from colleges and schools in the East and Midwest. R. W. Blaisdell, principal of the school, explained that enrichment would be the emphasis of the program. New approaches to such subjects as mathematics and English will help to build every pupil's basic skills, he said. Art, music, dance and shop will be included in the curriculum, along with basic subjects.

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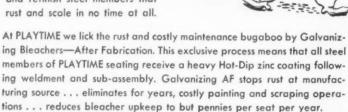
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#### Principals' Problems Theme of University Conference

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Participants will study the improvement of faculty morale and effectiveness, organization of schools for effective instruction, and the adjustment of schools to the needs of a changing society.

Among the conference leaders will be: Francis S. Chase, chairman of the department of education and director of the Midwest Administration Center, University of Chicago; Benjamin C. Willis, general superintendent of schools, Chicago; Howard D. Lee, president of the Wisconsin Association of Elementary School Principals; Robert E. Ohm, principal, Laboratory Schools, University of Chicago, and Ralph W. Tyler, director of Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford, Calif.

#### State Gains Teachers From Emergency Training Program

HARTFORD, CONN. — Connecticut's emergency teacher training program, now entering its eighth year, has thus far graduated 2500 teachers, it was announced recently.

State Commissioner of Education Finis Engleman described the program as a lifesaver for the Connecticut schools. Under the program, college graduates without previous teacher training can qualify for temporary teaching licenses after completing a special eight weeks' course, offered each summer.

Dr. Engleman reported that the emergency program has yielded almost half as many teachers as has the regular program. Applicants for the summer session have been carefully screened.

The summer courses are given at the teachers colleges in New Britain, Danbury, Willimantic and New Haven and are open to college graduates from any part of the country. Graduates of the eight weeks' session can qualify for permanent certificates by taking further special courses.



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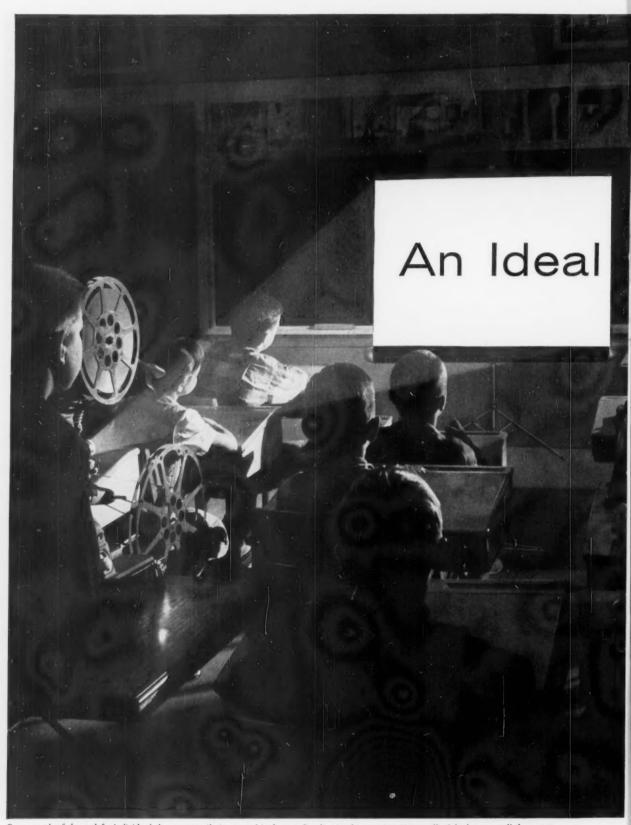
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In the Right Direction. Faculty members at Columbia University will receive salary increases of 10 per cent "across the board" and also, in many cases, "appropriate adjustments for merit" July 1. The action was made possible by the Ford grant and an increase in tuition fees.

Accomplished Woman. Martha Mc-Mahon, chosen Indiana Mother of 1956, is currently finishing work for her degree in education by attending night classes at Butler University in Indianapolis. Mrs. McMahon, 54, the mother of seven children, is a third grade teacher in a country school at Noblesville. Ind.

Off K.P. School principals in New York City are relinquishing their duties as restaurant managers of their respective schools. Under a new plan to centralize the operations of the school lunch program, the principals will no longer be responsible for food buying and personnel in the cafeterias.

Largest Get the Leastest, If Any. According to Herold C. Hunt, undersecretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, chances are that "very, very little" federal aid would go to schools in America's largest cities (population over 500,000) under the Administration backed aid program.

Daughters Speak. Daughters of the American Revolution in Illinois have adopted a resolution condemning federal aid to education as "wasteful" and supporting Governor Stratton's opposition to it. Control of education must remain with the people through their own states, the group said.

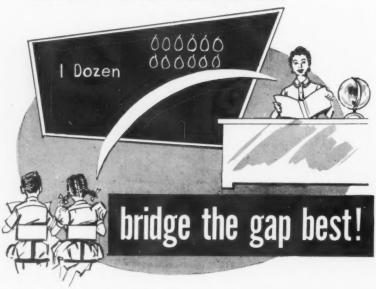
To Encourage Growth. Annual report of the Fund for Adult Education showed it had spent more than \$4.45 million during 1955 "to stimulate diverse groups and individuals . . . in spreading and improving opportunities for adults to continue their liberal education."

High Priority. The board of education of the District of Columbia approved a plan to release science teachers from their classes, enabling them to attend the recent National Science Teachers Association convention there. Some 1000 scientists from the Washington area volunteered to substitute for the teachers in junior and senior high school classes, and parents took over in some elementary school classes.

Make Them Curious. Science teachers were warned that children's interest could not be stirred by the "lockstep" methods of rote recitation and textbook study at a recent meeting of the National Council for Elementary Science. Prof. Ned E. Bingham of the University of Florida urged teachers to question children about an expressed interest until they themselves feel a need to investigate to find an answer.

And in Jordan. A 12 week course for the inservice training of science teachers is being carried on under UNESCO auspices. Special stress is placed on the construction of simple apparatus from easily available materials. A new syllabus, used by the group, covers topics such as air and atmosphere, weather, home industries, energy and plant life.

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#### **NEWS BRIEFS**

For Extension. The National Conference on Higher Education has recommended that Congress extend the educational benefits of the Korean G.I. bill of rights to all veterans who honorably complete their active military service. Benefits are now restricted to those in service before January 1955.

Productive Development. Completion of the \$288 million Fort Dearborn civic redevelopment project in Chicago will mean several more million dollars a year for Chicago city schools. Tax yield of the project area, on the basis of higher tax valuation, will increase \$4 million to \$6 million, 40 per cent of which will go to the schools.

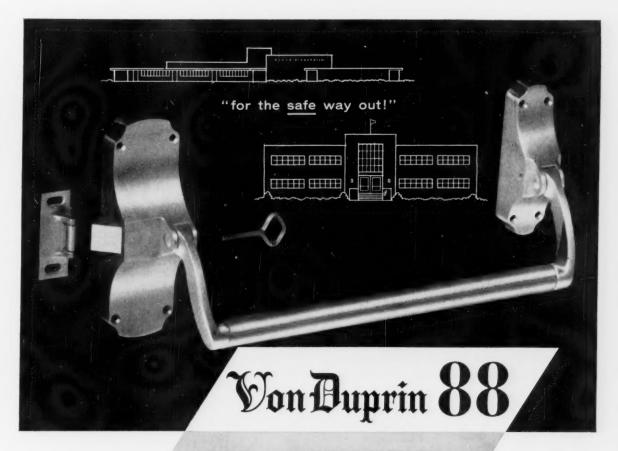
And in Prison. Teen-age inmates of Cook County jail, Chicago, will study in five new classrooms, built recently at a cost of \$20,000. The classrooms, the first to be provided in the history of the jail, will accommodate 100 pupils; grade school and high school subjects are taught by nine teachers assigned by the board of education.

Education, Too. "The Family Learns" will be one section of a new exposition, sponsored by the *Cleveland Press*, designed to appeal to the interests of today's family. The exposition, the Family Fair, to be held October 21 to 28, will present products, equipment, crafts and services which can enrich family life.

The Upward Trail. The board of education in Tucson, Ariz., has announced a new salary schedule, upping the minimum for teachers with bachelor's degrees from \$3600 to \$4000. Maximum for teachers holding master's degrees will jump from \$6100 to \$6800.

Sad, But True. Beginning teachers graduated from Ohio State University last year had a theoretical choice of 32 different job opportunities. The number of graduates certified for and interested in teaching immediately was 276; requests for elementary and secondary school teachers numbered 8071.

Progress. Discussing the additional responsibilities for health and transportation carried by today's schools, Helen C. Bailey, associate superintendent, Philadelphia, commented recently, "Mothers are firm about it; their children must ride in heated comfort to school to learn how Lincoln became a great man by walking miles through the snow to borrow a geometry book."



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Washington, D.C. He succeeds Gilbert S. Willey, superintendent since 1950, who has resigned. During his 30 years in education, Dr. Willey has held school administrative positions in Trinidad,

Denver and Pueblo, Colo., and Lincoln. Neb. From 1930 to 1939 he was director of teacher training at the University of

Leroy Hood, high school principal at Ottawa, Kan., to superintendent at Garden City, Kan., succeeding J. R. Jones, who has resigned.

Leo E. Anschutz, high school teacher at Bunker Hill, Kan., to superintendent at Luray, Kan., succeeding Ernest A. Hoopes, who has resigned.

Cecil H. Myers, high school principal at Corinth, Miss., to superintendent of the municipal separate school district there. He succeeds Hal Anderson, who is retiring after 26 years as superin-

Richard Prentice, superintendent at Harper, Kan., to superintendent at Marquette, Kan.

Vandel C. Johnson, principal at Canton, S.D., to superintendent at Flandreau, S.D. He succeeds Neal Tracy, who has resigned.

Cedric Baker, assistant professor of education, University of Arkansas, to superintendent of schools at Cassville, Mo.

Robert W. Lambuth Jr., superintendent at Summit, Miss., to superintendent at Magnolia, Miss.

Harry J. Eastman, superintendent at Vinton, Iowa, to superintendent at Charles City, Iowa, succeeding the late P. C. Lapham.

William E. Stirton, vice president in charge of university services and development, Wayne University, Detroit, to vice president of the University of Michigan. Initially, Dr. Stirton will serve as liaison between the university and the state government and industrial and professional organizations.

Gale Jensen, professor of education and director of the institute of education, Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, to associate professor of education in the school of education and program director in community adult education in the extension service at the University of Michigan.

H. Thurston Hatch, superintendent at Chico, Calif., to the faculty of Chico State College there.

Walter J. Robertson, superintendent at Las Vegas, N.M., for the last 15 years, has been given a new five-year contract there.

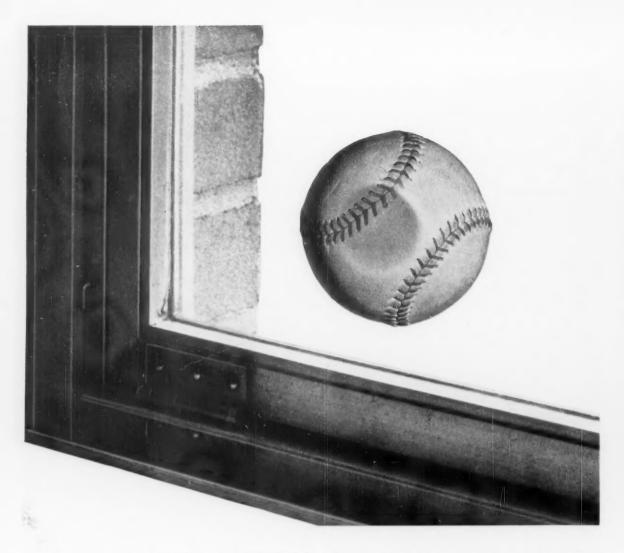
Donald Hair, assistant professor of education, South Dakota State College,



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### ABOUT PEOPLE

Brookings, S.D., to superintendent at Igloo, S.D.

**Joseph Hanzal**, principal at Gresham, Neb., to superintendent there.

Lloyd H. Iler, superintendent at Rockford, Ohio, to superintendent for Madison South Local District, Madison County, Ohio.

W. Keith Kelley, principal of Chilocco Indian School, Chilocco, Okla., to superintendent of the school. He succeeds Lawrence E. Correll, superintendent there since 1926, who has retired.

Allan Tomlinson, superintendent at Penns Grove. N.J., to superintendent for Warren County, Belvidere, N.J., succeeding the late Will G. Atwood, who was erroneously reported in these columns to have been superintendent of Warren County, Pennsylvania.

C. M. Robinson, superintendent for Newton County, Neosho, Mo., to the newly created position of director of elementary education in Neosho city schools.

T. A. Parry, superintendent at Havana, Kan., to superintendent at Gardner, Kan.

**Richard P. Gousha,** superintendent at Woodville, Ohio, to superintendent at Amherst, Ohio.

Alva A. DaVault, superintendent at Hornersville, Mo., to superintendent at Campbell, Mo. Mr. DaVault will succeed R. E. Nichols, retiring in June.

Dale Mills, high school principal at Shelton, Neb., to superintendent there, succeeding W. L. Whiting, resigned.

Ernest W. Campbell, assistant superintendent at Seattle, to superintendent there in June, succeeding Samuel E. Fleming, whose retirement was previously anounced in these columns.

William W. Savage, associate director of the Midwest Administration Center at the University of Chicago, to dean of the school of education of the University of South Carolina. He succeeds Chester Travelstead, who is now dean of the school of education at the University of New Mexico.

George W. Denemark, executive secretary of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, to professor of education and assistant dean of the college of education at the University of Maryland, September 1.

John Cramer, high school principal at Middleton, Idaho, to superintendent there. Mr. Cramer succeeds **Tom Tuttle**, who has been appointed superintendent at Caldwell, Idaho.

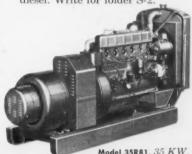
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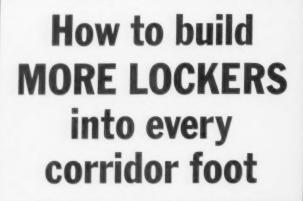


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Charles H.
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County, Doylestown, Pa., to state
superintendent of
instruction, Harrisburg, Pa. He
succeeds Ralph



Charles H. Bos

Swan, who has been acting state superintendent since the retirement of Francis B. Haas last year. Dr. Boehm is chairman of the Pennsylvania Cooperative Project for County Superintendents and a member of the A.A.S.A. Commission on School District Reorganization.

James A. Sensenbaugh, assistant superintendent of Baltimore County, Baltimore, to superintendent of Frederick County, Frederick, Md., succeeding Eugene W. Pruitt.

Quentin West, high school teacher at Jaspar, Mo., to superintendent there.

W. W. Musick, former superintendent at Gridley, Kan., to superintendent at Lucas, Kan.

Frank M. Hughes, superintendent, Cook County, Adel, Ga., to executive secretary of the Georgia Education Association, succeeding J. Harold



Frank M. Hugher

Saxon, who has retired after more than 10 years of service. Mr. Hughes has held his present position since 1943, and was president of the Georgia Education Association during 1952-53.

Don R. Borthwick, superintendent at Edson, Kan., to superintendent at Sylvan Grove, Kan.

Clifford Cassady, principal at Morehead, Ky., to superintendent for Rowan County, Morehead, effective July 1. Mr. Cassady will succeed Eunice Cecil, superintendent for the last five years.

**Lester C. Ayers,** director of guidance for schools in Beverly, Mass., to super-intendent there.

M. P. Smith, high school principal at Clarksdale, Miss., to superintendent at Winona, Miss., effective July 1. Mr. Smith will succeed Robert Taylor, who will become superintendent at Marks, Miss.

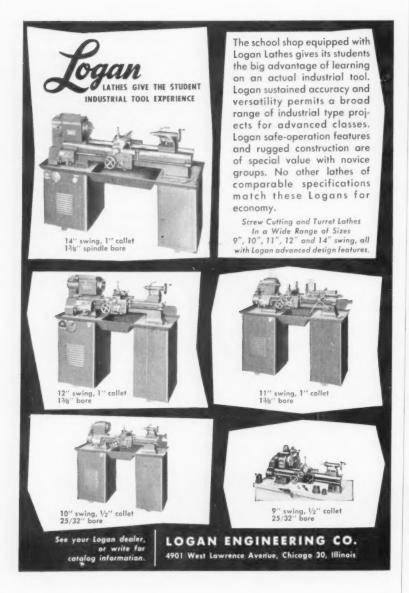
Rex R. Wyrick, high school principal at Warrensburg, Mo., to superintendent there, succeeding Fred B. House, who will retire July 1.

George D. Hendrickson, superintendent at Philip, S.D., to state supervisor for teacher placement with the employment security department of South Dakota, at Aberdeen.

Eleanor Welter, former teacher, to acting superintendent at Gibonsburg, Ohio, succeeding her late husband, Albert N. Welter.

Richard Gahr, high school principal at Norwalk, Calif., to superintendent of the Excelsior Union High School District there, effective July 1, 1957. Mr. Gahr succeeds Ralph F. Burnight, who has been appointed superintendent and president of the new Cerritos Junior College District at Norwalk. Mr. Burnight will serve as superintendent of both districts until July 1957. At the same time it was announced that Henry F. Korsmeier, assistant superintendent of the Excelsior district, has been appointed vice president in charge of the junior college district, effective July 1, 1956.

Paul V. Fegley, assistant superintendent at Lakeview, Mich., to superin-



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### ABOUT PEOPLE

tendent there, succeeding Floyd M. Hazel, superintendent since 1922, who is retiring.

Robert C. Myers, chief of community mental health services for the New Jersey State Department of Institutions and Agencies, Trenton, N.J., to executive director of a special three-year project on the mentally retarded, with headquarters at the Columbus State School, Columbus, Ohio. The project is under the direction of the American Association on Mental Deficiency, and

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E. A. Swenson, superintendent at Lewistown, Minn., since 1947.

Bertha Robinson, superintendent at East Jackson, Mich., effective July 15.

Burnell Johnson, superintendent at Geneseo, Kan., for the last four years.

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Floyd M. Hazel, superintendent of Lakeview School District, Battle Creek, Mich., effective June 30. Mr. Hazel has served 34 years in the Lakeview dis-



Floyd M. Hazel

trict. He is a past president of the Michigan Association of School Administrators, and a member of the advisory council of the A.A.S.A.

C. D. Watts, superintendent at Macksville, Kan., effective at the close of the school year.

W. D. Carr, superintendent at Anthony, Kan.

F. H. Anderson, superintendent at Farmington, Iowa, for the last nine years, effective at the close of the school term.

Ben Kietzman, superintendent of Canton Union School District 66, Canton,

Arthur A. Rather, superintendent at Ionia, Mich., for the last 39 years.

Clem Eyler, superintendent at Bristol, Tenn., for the last 10 years, effective June 19.

L. L. Cunningham, superintendent at Battle Creek, Neb.

Ernest Sampson, superintendent at Kimball, S.D., for the last five years.

W. A. Driscoll, superintendent for Montgomery County, Dayton, Ohio, for the last 23 years.

Carl M. Bair, superintendent for Ocean County, Toms River, N.J., after 12 years of service.

Ray G. Baker, superintendent at Denton, Mont., effective July 1.

W. H. Griffith, superintendent at Seneca, Kan.

Walter E. Brooks, superintendent at Greenland, Ark., for the last nine years, effective June 30.

Kankakee Anderson, superintendent for Polk County, Cedartown, Ga., for the last 15 years.

George W. Weir, superintendent at Kingsville, Tex., effective July 1.

W. C. Blankenship, superintendent at Big Spring, Tex., since 1928, effective June 30.

**Raymond O. Cox,** superintendent at Protection, Kan.

H. S. Lippert, superintendent at Walton, Kan.

**Leslie J. Gustafson,** superintendent at Owatonna, Minn., for the last 12 years, effective July 1.



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**Granville R. Griffin,** superintendent at Vinita, Okla., effective June 30.

J. C. Clark, superintendent at Brandon, Iowa, effective June 1.

C. M. Smith, superintendent at Clearwater, Kan., effective July 1.

Weldon R. Steele, superintendent at Wink, Tex., effective July 1.

Harold Ryder, superintendent for Lucas County, Toledo, Ohio, since 1914. Dr. Ryder is a past president of the National County Superintendents Association and the Ohio County Superintendents Association.

N. D. McCombs, superintendent at Des Moines, Iowa, since 1941, effective June 30.

#### DIED . . .

J. J. Halverson, superintendent at Albert Lea, Minn., February 27.

Dr. Frank J. O'Brien, psychiatrist and associate superintendent of schools, New York City, from 1941 until his retirement in September 1955. Dr. O'Brien joined the New York Board of Education as assistant director of the bureau of child guidance in 1931.

John Granrud, superintendent at Springfield, Mass., from 1933 to 1945 and assistant superintendent there from 1927 until his election as superintendent. Following his resignation, Dr. Granrud had served as a divisional director for the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

William F. Russell, president emeritus of Teachers College, Columbia University, and deputy director for technical services of the International Cooperation Administration, March 27, at the age of 65. Dr. Russell joined the faculty of Teachers College in 1923 as professor of education; he served successively as dean and president, retiring in 1954, when he became associated with the Foreign Operations Administration. Before going to Columbia, he served as dean of the college of education at the State University of Iowa. In 1949, Dr. Russell organized an experimental citizenship education project, at the request of President Eisenhower. Texts and materials developed in the study are now used throughout the country. He also served as director of the National Citizenship Education Program of the Department of Justice and as president of the World Organization of the Teaching Profession.

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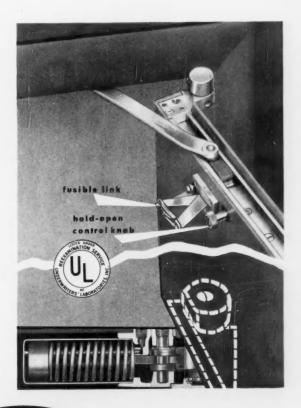
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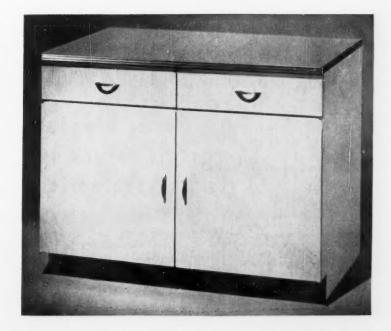
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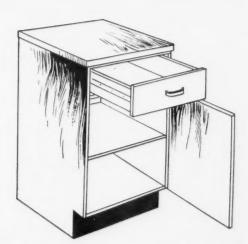


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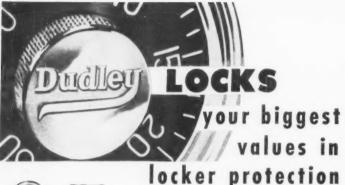
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### COMING EVENTS

#### MAY

- 4, 5. Illinois Association of School Business Officials, Allerton Park, Monticello
- 11, 12. International Reading Association,
- 20-23. National Congress of Parents and Teachers, 60th annual convention, San Francisco.

#### JUNE

17-21. National Association of Student Councils of the National Association of Secondary-School Principals, N.E.A., 20th annual national conference, Toledo, Ohio

#### JULY

- 1-7. National Education Association, 94th annual meeting, Portland, Ore.
- 2-5. National School Public Relations Association, N.E.A., 21st annual meeting, Portland, Ore.
- 9-14. National School Public Relations Association, public relations seminar, San Francisco.
- 20-25. National Audio-Visual Convention, Chicago.

### AUGUST

26-31. National Conference of Professors of Educational Administration, 10th annual meeting, University of Arkansas.

#### OCTOBER

- 2-5. National Council on Schoolhouse Construction, annual meeting, Washington, D.C.
- 7-11. Association of School Business Officials of the United States and Canada. 42d annual convention, Washington, D.C.
- 14-17. County and Rural Area Superintendents, N.E.A., 11th national conference, Atlanta, Ga.
- 22-25. American School Food Service Association, 10th annual convention, Chicago.

#### NOVEMBER

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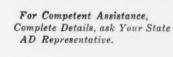




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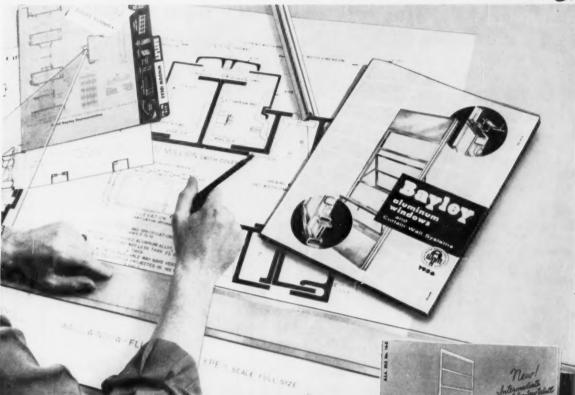
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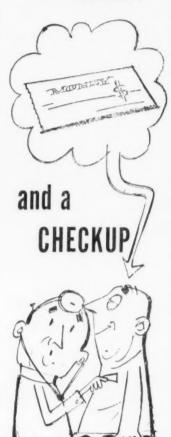
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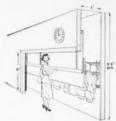
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#### Bradley Drinking Fountain Is Counter Type

Designed especially for use in schools and similar institutions, the new Bradley



counter type drinking fountain provides a sanitary source of drinking water. The unit includes bowel, stainless steel mounting rim, drinking bubbler, glass filler faucet and chromium plated sink strainer with tail piece. The new fountain is also available without the glass filler faucet.

The bowl of the new fountain is pressed steel and is available in stainless steel or in acid-resisting vitreous enamel. The enameled bowls are furnished in white, forest green, suntan, sea green, sky blue or citron yellow. The bowl has an outside measurement of 16 by 24 inches with 334 inch ledge at back, 314 inch on both sides and 11/2 inch at front. It is six inches deep. Bradley Washfountain Co., N. 22nd and W. Michigan Sts., Milwaukee 1, Wis.
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#### Everett Pigno Is Readily Mobile

A new feature on the Series 10 Everett School Piano is a change in design which permits the use of large casters without changing the height of pedals or keys from the floor. Use of the two inch school-type casters makes the piano readily mobile so that it can be moved with little effort from room to room, as well as facilitating its placement on stages, in music rooms and in gymnasiums or auditoriums.

The new Series 10 Everett is a full 44 inch piano with extra string length for full, resonant tone. Over-size felt hammers make the piano easy to play with quickly responsive action. The Series 10 is built to withstand hard use and abuse, being especially constructed for use in schools and other educational institutions. Every detail is engineered for

rugged service. The piano is handsome in appearance with attractive modern lines and a carefully finished hardwood case. It is also available in 41 inch size, permitting teachers to look over the top of the piano to supervise the class while playing. Iron lever back supports on the Everett consoles give them strength and stability for school use. Everett Piano Co., Div. of Meridan Corp., South Haven 9, Mich.
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#### Student Wardrobe Is Mobile

A light weight wardrobe for students is offered as an additional functional unit in the Brunswick line of school furniture. It is designed for classroom use to store pupils' outer clothing, and can function as a room divider. The cork



board back panel permits use of the wardrobe as a bulletin board when it is turned with the open side against the wall. Since the wardrobe is easily mobile, it can be filled with clothing, then turned against the wall to serve during the class periods as a bulletin board.

Clothing storage space for 24 coats is provided in each wardrobe by means of 12 fixed hangers and 12 hooks. The hangers and hooks are mounted on a bar and rack arrangement that adjusts for height within an eight inch limit. A full-length wire rack provides for storage of lunch or other accessories above the storage space for overshoes and rubbers. Full swivel caster attachments make the cabinet easily moved around the classroom or from room to room as required. If desired, the cabinet is available with full length metal or island type base.

The cabinet is 21% by 471/2 by 541/2 inches on casters or base. The Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co., 623 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago 5.
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#### Kindergarten Pads Available in Eight Colors

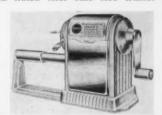
Light weight and attractive colors are features of the new Petersen Kindergarten Pads. They are covered in moistureproof plastic which is easy to keep clean. The pads, for rest periods and story telling time in kindergartens, are 20 by 40 inches in size, one inch thick. They store in minimum space when not in use. The pads are finished in two colors, one side dark and one side light, and are available in combinations of eight colors. Similar pads in four by eight foot sizes are available for kindergarten tumbling classes. Petersen Gym Mats, Belfield at Wister St., Philadelphia 44, Pa.

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#### Dandy Super-10 Sharpener Is Portable Unit

Automatic pencil feed is a feature of the completely redesigned Dandy Super-10 portable pencil sharpener. The Type XA cutter head assembly is completely new and is interchangeable with Type VA cutter head assemblies on earlier models of Apsco sharpeners. The heavy duty seamless extruded aluminum receptacle is sift-proof, and marproof.

Other new features of the Dandy Super-10 model include oil-impregnated steel, nickel-plated insert cutter head shaft; nylon pinion gears for less noise and increased life; all-steel, nickel plated screw-on type handle; all-steel, welded base assembly, marproof cork base pad and fluted steel base side frames for



added strength and beauty. The Dandy Super-10 also has a new automatic chuck assembly. Apsco Products Inc., 9855 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles 34, Calif.

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# What's New ...

#### Classroom Seating Unit for Secondary Schools

The new Irwin No. 900 Classmate Desk is designed for use in junior and



senior high schools. The streamlined Classmate provides seat and desk in one attractive unit. It is designed for comfort with correct posture, requires minimum floor area, and is easy to move. The posture-form seat and back induce the student to sit upright and reduce the student to sit upright and reduce fatigue. The design of the unit permits easy ingress and egress and the large trapezoidal-shaped top provides maximum writing area with arm support.

The new desk and seat unit are of steel frame construction with plywood seat and back rest. G-E Textolite in simulated birch pattern or hardwood are available for the desk top. The unit is offered in 16 and 18 inch seat heights. A large open metal book rack for visible, readily accessible storage is optional equipment. Irwin Seating Company, Grand Rapids, Mich.

For more details circle #247 on mailing card.

#### "Build-It-Yourself" Short Wave Kit

The new Knight-Kit "Space Spanner" is an easy-to-build short wave and broadcast receiver kit. It is an efficient and complete unit with built-in loudspeaker which provides short wave coverage from six to 18 megacycles and tunes in standard broadcasts when desired. Simple instructions with pictorial and schematic diagrams facilitate construction of the receiver. It operates on any standard AC outlet and requires no batteries.

Included with the kit is a new 24 page booklet for the beginning kit builder. Basic radio theory is discussed in simple language with many illustrations in 12 pages of the booklet, with the other 12 pages devoted to instructions for building the unit. Allied Radio Corp., 100 N. Western Ave., Chicago 80.

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#### Large Capacity Disposer Features High Speed

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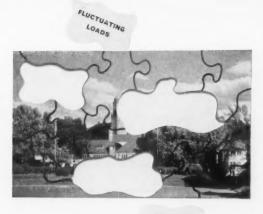
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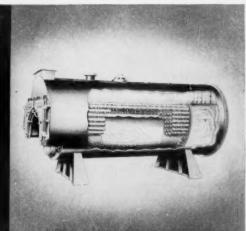
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auditoriums and meeting rooms. The space-saving unit gives comfortable seating for long periods of time. The new design features a seat which folds independently of the chair. This permits back-to-back spacing of only 30 inches as compared to the 39 inches necessary with conventional folding chairs. Auditorium, gymnasium or other meeting room seating can thus be considerably increased while providing comfortable chairs for students or other audiences.

The upholstered seat features springarch construction for maximum comfort and the contour styling encourages correct posture with upholstered back support. The seat frame is of all-steel construction and all metal parts are Bonderized dipped, sprayed and finished in baked enamel. The chairs are locked together in units of two with metal clamps. A handle installed between coupled chairs permits easy folding and handling for storage. The chairs are available in a broad choice of frame colors as well as a variety of upholstery colors and materials. Back panels are available either plain or fully upholstered. Accessories available for the new upholstered folding chairs include arm rests, tablet arms, kneelers, cup holders, ash trays, bookracks and steel thresholds and bar clamps for arranging chairs in rows. American Seating Company, Grand Rapids 2, Mich.

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### Super Hil-Sweep Safe for Asphalt Tile

Five years of research and development work have gone into the new Super Hil-Sweep floor mop dressing. Originally formulated for safe use on asphalt tile, Super Hil-Sweep is equally effective on all types of floors. It gives fast thorough dust pick-up, improved coverage due to

extremely slow evaporation and is simple and economical in use. It is also proved fire-safe. Rags saturated in Super Hil-Sweep would not catch fire and the product has no flash point, will not freeze, will not catch fire in use and will not cause spontaneous combustion in storage, according to reports received from the manufacturer. They also state that Super Hil-Sweep is non-slip and non-oily and does not react with wax or other floor finishes.

Super Hil-Sweep is sprayed or sprinkled on mops the night before it is to be used. It soaks evenly into the cotton wicks and one mop can be used to maintain large areas without re-treating. The product magnetically attracts dust and holds it on the mop, yet shaking quickly releases the dust from the mop. Hillyard Chemical Co., St. Joseph, Mo. For more details circle #281 on mailing card.

### Pre-Mix Dispenser Vends Pepsi-Cola

A new line of pre-mix dispensers is now available for vending Pepsi-Cola in



cafeterias, auditoriums, at games and wherever fast dispensing is an advantage. The new dispensers are easy to operate and permit serving many people quickly and efficiently. Use of the dispensers also eliminates the problem of handling cases of bottles, empty bottles and the danger of broken bottles. Handling costs are at a minimum as the dispensers use Pepsi-Cola pre-mixed at the bottling plant. It is chilled to the proper temperature requiring no ice in glasses or cups.

The new dispensers are available in capacities ranging from 25 to 80 gallons per hour, chilled to 40 degrees F. Replacement tanks of the pre-mixed beverage are handled by Pepsi-Cola distributors. The dispensers can be used at school dances and other functions for serving Pepsi-Cola as a money-making venture by the school or school organization. S & S Products, Inc., Dept. 58, P.O. Box 1047, Lima, Ohio.

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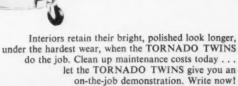
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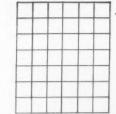


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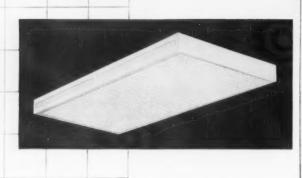


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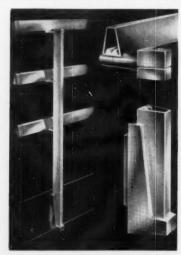
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### Awning Window Electrically Operated

An aluminum awning window is now available which is electrically operated. The result of several years of study and experimentation, the new "Push-Button" Window has proved practical in actual installations. The window opens and closes with quiet, positive movements. The control button may be located on the sill or near the window in an easily accessible place. If desired, the window may be controlled from a central switch remotely located. Any number of units can be wired to the same circuit for simultaneous remote control of all windows in the building.

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# "But Cathie, doesn't it get damp here?"

Cathie: No, Edna. This is the driest cave in New Hampshire.

Edna: You're spending your whole summer vacation here? But why?

Cathie: Teaching electric typing got me down. Drove me wild.

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**Edna:** Now, you let me tell *you* something, Cathie. You should have new Royal Electrics in your classes.

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Cathie: (wistfully) They do sound good...after those clumsy machines. But...

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# What's New ...

#### Telescoping Bleacher Now Produced by Safway

Safway Steel Products has taken over production of the improved Leavitt Tele-



scoping Bleacher. The bleacher will be manufactured and marketed under the name of Safway Telescopic Bleacher, and the Safway bleacher line now will accommodate any possible seating requirement.

Improvements in the telescoping bleacher include gravity latch which locks each row of the bleacher open and prevents premature closing. The latch permits each row to be closed in sequence as required. Ball bearing wheels both at floor level and under seat supports, combined with a system of fixed horizontal bracing, produce maximum ease of operation and prevent racking and binding. The new tow bar permits opening the bleacher from a comfortably erect position and "anti-droop" supports align the vertical skirt boards into a solid, smooth cabinet when the bleacher is closed. The improved bleacher is available from three

to 15 rows and folds back into a cabinet only three feet deep. Safway Steel Products, Inc., 6234 W. State St., Milwaukee 13, Wis.

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#### Rolcut Cutting Board Prevents Accidents

A high carbon surgical steel wheel travels along the edge of the baseboard on a rigid I-beam track in the new Rolcut cutting board. The wheel is self-sharpening and is protected by a strong yet lightweight aluminum housing. Cutting and trimming of paper and board can be done in safety, without danger of accidents to teacher or pupils, with the new design. Accurate gridlines for measuring are embossed on the surface of the three-quarter inch plywood baseboard and one-half inch rules are etched in accurate alignment with the grid. The board is mounted on no-mark rubber feet. The Rolcut cutting board is available in six models. Spin-A-Test Company, Dept. 30, P.O. Box 241, Hermosa Beach, Calif.

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stantly adjustable from a minimum of 18 inches to as much as 27 inches from the floor. The lightweight, portable stool is designed to serve a multitude of uses in the business classroom, adjusting with a touch to the height needed by students of various heights using desks for writing or for business machines. It is also exceptionally well suited to use in science and shop classrooms.

A new 16 inch cast iron base of modern design gives the stool an attractive appearance. The steel seat is 13 inches in diameter and the unit will stand up under hard use. Wood seat, back rest, a foot rest which moves up or down as



the seat is adjusted, and glides are optional equipment with the new stool. Ajusto Equipment Co., 2144 Madison Ave., Toledo 2, Ohio.

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# Instantly Adjustable Seat Height for Business Classroom Stool

The redesigned Model S 1827 Adjustrite metal stool has seat height in-

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## CORONET announces a new series of films on the history of INDIA

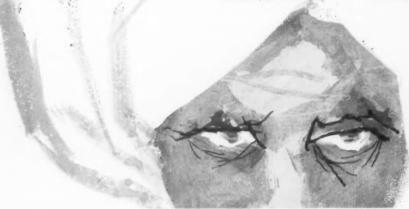
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#### Magnetile Business Machine Functions Electronically

A new business machine which performs accounting functions electronically is offered in the new Magnefile, Series F. The completely integrated machine permits direct posting from accounting department forms onto a simplified keyboard and requires no special forms, cards, sorting or coding. Information from these entry transactions is auto-matically computed and stored internally. The status of a particular item or group of items is automatically recorded onto continuous form paper by the typewriterprinter when needed.

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#### Junior Kits for Science Instruction

Junior Science Kits are now available to meet the science requirements at the lower elementary level. Developed for teaching the elementary principles of science from kindergarten through third grade, the Junior Kit is a portable laboratory with the equipment necessary for simple experiments. It contains a manual, "Teaching Elementary Science," and is housed in a sturdy, fitted cardboard case. Science Kit, Box 69, Tonawanda, N.Y. For more details circle #261 on mailing card.

# Folding Chairs in Ten Colors

Ten attractive and cheerful colors are now used to finish Samsonite all-steel 2600 folding chairs. Designed to blend

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with every color scheme, the chairs are offered in aqua, brown, gray, green, coral, turquoise, gold, metallic gray, willow green and terra cotta.

The chairs are constructed of electrically welded steel tubing with Y type frame. Cross braces are electrically welded tubular steel and the seat is 20 gauge stamped steel, deeply drawn for full form fitting comfort. All parts are made rustresistant by Bonderizing and finished in chip-resistant enamel. The chairs are strong enough to stand on, have safetyguard seat hinges, are comfortable to sit on, will not tip, fold compactly for easy



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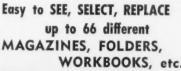


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Automatic Ice Machine in Decorator Colors

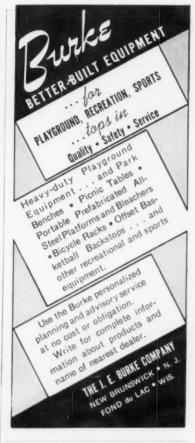
Bright, attractive decorator colors are used to finish the new Chip-Freeze Automatic Ice Flaking Machines intro-



duced by the Cold Corporation. Colors include Shocking Pink, Baby Blue, Orchid, Canary Yellow, Mint Green and White.

A new feature in the design of the units delivers ice chips at waist level to eliminate the need for stooping or straining. The air-cooled ice-making machine is completely sanitary. Ice is produced at the top of the unit, eliminating the possibility for the accumulation of old ice. Ice is drawn from the lower part of the upper section of the sanitary, stainless steel storage bin. The new unit has a capacity of 560 pounds of ice daily and produces ice flakes at low cost. The entire mechanism is easily accessible from front and rear for servicing. The machine operates automatically as ice is used. The Cold Corporation of America, 1371 N. Branch St., Chicago 22.

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The result of five years of research and development by the staff of The Franklin Institute Laboratories for Research and Development, Philadelphia, with the support of the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, the Projection Magnifier is manufactured by the American Optical Company. The instrument is small, light and rugged enough to be portable. It adjusts automatically to accommodate

reading material of almost any size or thickness. Illumination is provided by one 40 watt lamp. The reader sits comfortably and slides the bookrest, on which the reading material is placed, to the left or away from him as required by the width of the columns. The design ensures an evenly focused image. Use of the projector does not require a darkened room and demands no unusual position or actions on the part of the reader. The Magnifier is also useful for those with normal eyesight in studying stamps, old manuscripts, maps, specimens and the like. American Optical Company, Southbridge, Mass.
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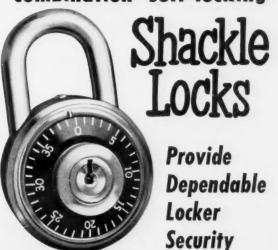
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Fungicide Dispenser **Electronic Device** Offered on Loan Basis for Telephone Dictation

Inter-office dial telephones are used with the new Dial Televoice System introduced by Edison Voicewriter Division. The electronic device makes it possible

for an executive to pick up his phone, dial a number and dictate his correspondence to a central recorder without losing any of the initial words. A constantly revolving magnetic drum permits the recording of words and holds the words until the disc reaches operating speed.

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and is available to all schools for use in gymnasiums, swimming pools, shower and locker rooms. Sani-Mist is a fungicide described as a preventive solution for the common infection called athlete's foot. The purchase of five or more gallons of the solution entitles the school to the free loan of the dispenser.

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into the closed solution tank, thus ensuring a fresh uncontaminated spray for each user. Sani-Mist, Inc., 1724 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

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## New Chevrolet School Bus Chassis

#### Series 100 Folding Chairs of Tubular Steel

The Series 100 Folding Chairs are an all-new line constructed of tubular steel.



The frame folding action acts on two strong steel rods which are synchronized to double action hinges. The spun head rear pivot rod provides seat support, additional frame strength and prevents the seat from accidental tipping. New vertical frame stretchers at seat pivot points on the front legs increase structural strength and rigidity. Other construction features include form-fitting, deep drawn, die-formed backrest panel securely welded to chair frame, front and rear leg braces of 10 gauge cold rolled electrically welded steel tubing, and nonmarring beige rubber feet of new design for more secure floor contact.

Model No. 102 in the line is an entirely new model with a large modern 'bucket" type molded wood seat. Exceptional seating comfort is assured with the new chair which has all structural features of other chairs in the series. Krueger Metal Products Co., Green Bay, Wis.

Fluorescent Fixture Hugs Ceiling

The new Commonwealth thinline fluorescent fixture is only three inches deep. Although surface mounted, it gives the effect of being recessed, thereby permitting installation in new construction, remodeling or modernization where minimum ceiling heights pose a problem.

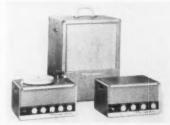
Originally developed for use in remodeling a building with low ceilings, the Commonwealth employs a Corning #70 lens and has the ballast in the end. It is available in one to eight lamp sizes, with or without opaque light panels at sides. The glass frame swings down for easy access and maintenance and the surface is easily mounted. The fixture is constructed of heavy gauge steel, has UL-ETL approved ballasts and is completely framed in glass. HOLDENline Co., 2301 Scranton Rd., Cleveland 13, Ohio. For more details circle #272 on mailing card

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Pacemaker Amplifiers at Budget Prices

A completely new line of institutional amplifiers is available in the Pacemakers. Of modern design and engineering, the line is priced for institutional budgets. Eight models and various accessories are included in the new Pacemaker line, ranging from a 10-watt AC amplifier through two six-volt 20-watt mobile amplifiers, one with single speed and one with three speed phono top, to a systems case which will fit all models.

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The desks are available with either left or right hand drawer, as desired, with 24 by 36 or 24 by 48 inch work tops, and with a removable tote tray so that the student can transfer work from one desk or table to another. The durable top is of Duron and top, drawer and tote tray are painted in green, gray or tan. Hardware Engineering Co., Inc., 802 E. King St., Garrett, Ind.

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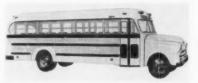
Super-Rigid Steel in Superior School Coach

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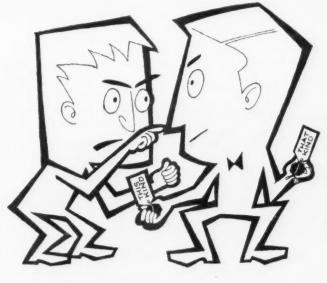
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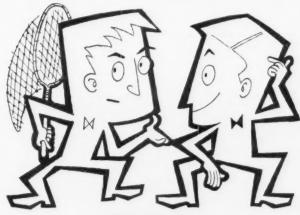
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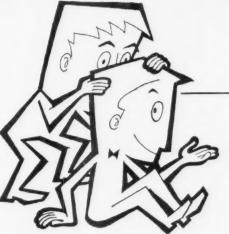
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ity than other designs of the same overall size is made possible by the square design of the industrial wet-dry vacuum cleaner announced by Advance Floor Machine Company. The Hydro-Jet cleaner is also equipped with a "foolproof," automatic shut off consisting of a metal ball which rises with the water in the tank. The ball is protected by a wire cage which also serves as a stand sults. Executone, Inc., Special Education for the cover. A quick-coupling device



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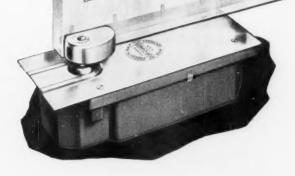
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#### **Product Literature**

• The full line of products developed by Finnell Systems, Inc., 200 East St., Elkhart, Ind., to aid in efficient floor care is discussed in a new four-page folder. Products described and illustrated include combination scrubber-vac machines, conventional scrubbing-polishing machines, steel-wool pads, applicators, vacuum cleaners, mop trucks and other mopping equipment and a Carryall for transporting cleaning supplies and equipment. Also included is information on waxes, sealers and cleansers developed by the company.

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· Catalog No. 56, "Maps, Globes and Charts," is now ready for distribution by Denoyer-Geppert, 5235 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40. The four color cover carries an illustration of a world relief globe. Full color illustrations are used throughout the 65 page catalog to show maps, charts and anatomical models manufactured by the company.

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• Two folders on the subject of microfilming records are available from Remington Rand, Div. of Sperry Rand Corp., 315 Fourth Ave., New York 10. A sixpage illustrated case history discusses the reduction of record storage problems in educational institutions. Vital records on

York have been microfilmed and the story of the saving in space is told in the illustrated folder. The second folder tells the story of savings in time, space and money through the microfilming of students' school records from kindergarten to graduation in the Norfolk, Virginia schools.

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• The complete line of Winnen Incinerators for institutional use is described in a new four-page folder available from Winnen Incinerator Co., 932 Broadway, Bedford, Ohio. Printed in two colors, the folder illustrates and describes each item in the line with specifications, cutaway view showing features of the incinerators and a list of optional equipment.

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· Control consoles for central sound systems are described and illustrated in Catalog S.130 offered by the Radio Corporation of America, Building 15-1, Camden 2, N.J. The six-page catalog is written in non-technical language and gives complete application information with descriptive details on the basic functions of a single channel sound control console. Several variations of RCA single channel consoles are shown in the illustrations and technical specifications and a dimension drawing are included. For more details circle #284 on mailing card.

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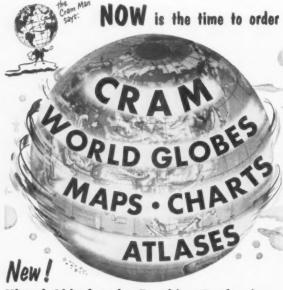
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• A 24 page catalog of Audio-Visual Aids 1955-56 is available from The Filmstrip House, 15 W. 46th St., New York 36. Filmstrips and records for elementary and high school are listed in the new catalog which includes data on new sets on mathematics, history, social studies, English and art subjects.
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• Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association, Inc., I Gateway Center, Pittsburgh 22, Pa. has issued a 12-page "Safety Code for Inspecting, Recharging and Maintaining Portable Fire Extinguishers." The code has been developed as a service to assist those responsible in taking proper care of fire equipment.

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· The quick-dry base and smooth, contoured design of Cloverlane Melamine Dinnerware are shown in a new folder released by Chicago Molded Products Corp., 1020 N. Kolmar Ave., Chicago 51. The folder is headed, "A New Kind of Dinnerware, Cloverlane." It tells the story of the new line and shows the five attractive colors in which it is offered.

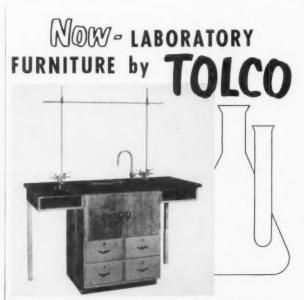


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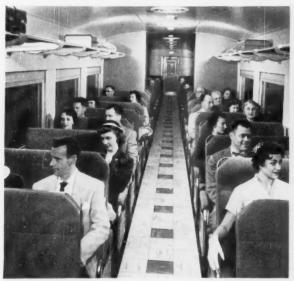
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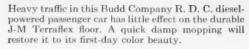
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· A new bulletin on Spencer Commercial Portable Vacuum Cleaners is being offered by The Spencer Turbine Co., Hartford, Conn. Performance information and complete specifications on models ranging in power from 1/2 through 1 h.p. for either dry or wet pickup are given in the bulletin which discusses special features of the various machines. For more details circle #290 on mailing card.

• The new 1956-1957 catalog of 16 mm sound motion pictures for educational use is now available from Coronet Films, 65 E. South Water St., Chicago 1. 668 teaching films are described in the 96page catalog which is printed in four colors. Listed in sequence from films for kindergarten and primary grades through intermediate grades and high school, the catalog gives a brief description and length of each subject, subject areas and grade levels in which each film may be used most effectively and identification of the educational collaborator. The new catalog is carefully indexed for quick

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#### Film Releases

"Putting Animals in Groups," 16 mm sound, color, non-technical introduction to the classification of animals by their structure. International Film Bureau Inc., 57 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4.

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"What's Your Driver Eye-Q," motion picture driving quiz consisting of 15 hazardous highway problems photographed through windshield of moving car. Action is stopped at critical point for student to select correct driving maneuver with the correct answer and detailed explanation given in a 36-page Instructor's Guide. Aetna Life Affiliated Companies, Public Education Dept., Hartford, Conn. ore details circle #293 on mailing card.

"Using and Understanding Numbers— Decimals and Measurements," seven filmstrips in color for sixth, seventh and eighth grades. "Beginning Wrestling," five filmstrips with student's handbook and instructor's guide. "To Everything A Season," filmstrip story of the seasons, narrated by Fran Allison. Society for Visual Education, 1345 Diversey Pkwy., Chicago 14.

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• The 50th Anniversary Catalog of South Winding up current affairs filmstrip America's Power Resources" and series. 'Presidential Conventions and Candidates," 35 mm, black and white, with discussion manual. Office of Educational Activities, The New York Times, Times Square, New York 36.

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"Early Handling of Spinal Injuries," 16 mm sound, black and white, in Accidents Don't Happen-they are Caused series, shows on-the-spot first aid when back injuries occur. United World Films. Inc., Government Film Dept., 1445 Park Ave., New York 29.
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"Schools for Tomorrow," 16 mm sound, color or black and white, tells how one community used citizens' advisory groups in planning school buildings to best meet needs of the community. Wayne University, Audio-Visual Materials Consultation Bureau, Detroit 1. Mich.

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"How to Succeed in School," dealing with study skills, and "Industrial Arts: Wood Finishing," for junior-senior high schools. "American Leaders" filmstrip series, visualized biographies of Jane Addams, Susan B. Anthony, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Horace Mann and Roger Williams. Young America Films, Inc., 18 E. 41st St., New York 17.

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#### Suppliers' News

Sherman J. Sexton, president and chairman of the board of John Sexton & Company, wholesale and manufacturing institutional grocers, died suddenly at his home in Chicago on March 13 at the age of 63. Mr. Sexton was well known in the institutional field, having assumed the presidency of his firm in 1926. He built it from a small but successful business which was started by his father in 1883, to an international operation. He was active in civic and philanthropic organizations and in the Catholic Charities of Chicago.

Smith System Manufacturing Co. is the new name of the firm formerly known as Smith System Heating Co., 212 Ontario St. S. E., Minneapolis 14, Minn. Originally organized to manufacture school room heaters and furnaces, the company has branched out to include specialty metal furniture and equipment for schools and other institutions. The new name is more indicative of the broader scope of the company's present activities.

Wayne Works, Inc., Richmond, Ind., manufacturer of school bus bodies, announces the purchase of the A. J. Miller Company, Bellefontaine, Ohio, producer of ambulances.

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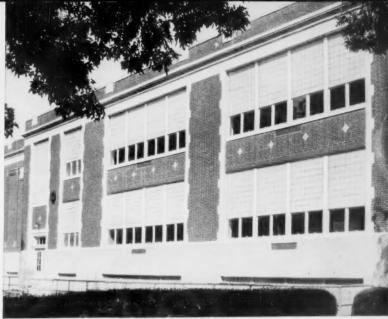
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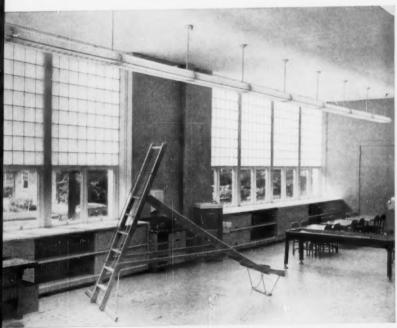
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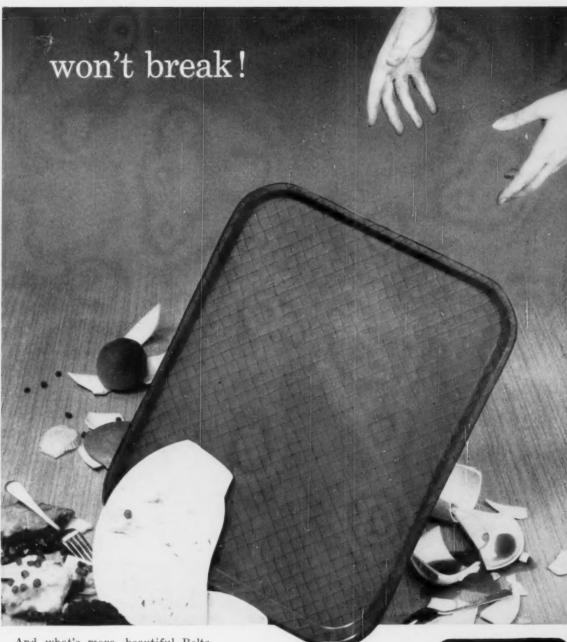
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